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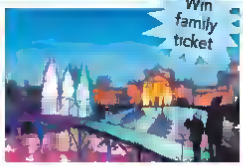

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Chancellor asked to tackle air pollution in the Budget

By Samantha McGregor

THE Oxford City Council leader has sent a letter to the Chancellor of the Exchequer urging him to tackle air pollution in Oxford.

Bob Price wants Philip Hammond to get tough on polluting vehicles and implement "bold national policy changes to diesel taxation" in the autumn budget on Wednesday.

He called for Mr Hammond to increase vehicle excise duty on new diesel vehicles from April 2018, and then use the money raised to help fund a diesel scrappage scheme for those on low incomes.

A scrappage scheme would compensate drivers for replacing their diesel vehicle with a more environmentally friendly version.

It comes as the city and county council launched a consultation on proposals to introduce the world's first Zero Emission Zone in Oxford.

If approved, the zone would be phased in between 2020 and 2035, and would cut nitrogen dioxide (NO2) levels by up to 74 per cent, the city council said.

In his letter Cllr Price writes: "Air pollution is at crisis levels in our towns and cities. Road vehicles contribute about 80 per cent of nitrogen dioxide pollution at the roadside and diesel vehicles make up a big part of this.

"Children born this year are likely to face another 10 years of poor air quality under current plans. This could have a devastating effect on their health.

"Not only is diesel harmful for our health, it's expensive. It's estimated that air pollution is costing the Treasury around £20bn a year.

"I urge you to use this budget to put in place bold fiscal policies that will help tackle this health crisis."

Mr Price said that, despite a 36.9 per cent reduction in NO2 levels across Oxford in the last decade, parts of the city centre were still failing to meet legal targets on the harmful pollutant.

The Green party's transport spokesman Cllr Dick Wolff backed the move saying the council had already committed to enforcing EU air quality limits post-Brexit.

But he added, "The government will find it difficult to take the city council seriously when they are increasing the number of car parking spaces in the most polluted part of the city and dropping parking charges."

In June, the city council lobbied the government for more funding and powers to tackle air pollution in Oxford.

It has already received grants of £1.3m to install electric charging points for taxis and residents across the city.

OXFORD'S newest square named after the city's longest-standing twinning link has been officially opened with music and dance.

Leiden Square in the new £440m Westgate Centre was unveiled by the Lord Mayor of Oxford Councillor Jean Fooks and the Burgemeester of Leiden Henri Lenferink, on Saturday.

To commemorate the 70th anniversary of the twinning link between Leiden and Oxford a mosaic has been created in the square by artists group Klick.

Mrs Fooks said: "It's lovely to have this recognition of the link at a time when it's important to maintain a close relationship with our twin cities in Europe."

Mr Lenferink said: "I am proud of the ties that Oxford and Leiden have had for 70 years now and this wonderful occasion makes me very happy."

John Chipperfield, chairman of the Oxford Leiden Link, said: "We are delighted to have a prominent reminder of our twin city in the city centre."

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Share your views on the future of our GP services

By Samantha McGregor

PEOPLE are being urged to have their say over how GP services will be run in the county in the future.

Oxfordshire Clinical Commissioning Group has been working with GP practices and patients' representatives over plans for the future of GP and primary care services in the county.

The group said GP services are set to face major "challenges" over the coming years.

These include increased demands on primary care because people are living longer with long-term conditions, fewer people are training as GPs and practice nurses and 30 per cent of GPs are planning to retire in the county in the next five years.

The OCCG said this was leading to problems in recruitment and with patients accessing GP services as well as sustainability and workforce issues.

Julie Dandridge, head of primary care at Oxfordshire CCG, said: "We would like to invite local residents to come and join us at some workshops to discuss in detail with doctors and NHS managers how GP and primary care services in their local area could be organised.

"We want to know from people what works well at their GP practice at the moment.

"GP services are facing increased demand, recruitment difficulties and budget pressures, so we would like to understand from the public how services could work better in the future."

Other issues facing primary care include the need to improve premises and other infrastructure, increase in patients with complex needs, a lack of integrated working and staff shortages.

The upcoming events, all from 6.30pm to 8pm, are:

- North Oxfordshire Locality (Banbury, Carterton, Bloxham and surrounding villages) Tuesday 21 November, Banbury (venue TBC)
- South West Locality (Faringdon, Wantage, Abingdon, Didcot and surrounding villages) Wednesday 22 November, Didcot Civic Hall
- Oxford City Locality: Thursday 23 November, St Gregory the Great School
- South East Locality (Wallingford, Henley, Benson, Thame, Chinnor, Sonning Common and surrounding villages) Tuesday 28 November, The George Hotel, High Street, Wallingford
- North East Locality (Bicester, Kidlington, Woodstock and surrounding villages) Thursday 30 November, The Littlebury Hotel, Kings End, Bicester

To book your place and for more information please email cscsu.talkinghealth@nhs.net or call 01865 334638.

Ceremony to remember victims of road accidents

PEOPLE who have lost their lives on the road will be remembered in a special ceremony.

Two memorial services will be held this Sunday by the joint Thames Valley and Hampshire roads policing unit in memory of those who have died as a result of collisions on the county's roads.

In Oxfordshire, the ceremony will be held in Thame and will mark the United Nations day of remembrance for road traffic victims.

Families who attended previous services found the event comforting.

One family wrote: "Thank you for an absolutely beautiful and respectful service. All of the family found the service very humbling and uplifting."

During the services local dignitaries, police officers and colleagues from the ambulance and fire services will join members of the public in an act of commemoration.

Last year 144 people were killed on the roads of Hampshire and Thames Valley.

Dave Hardcastle, assistant chief constable for the Joint Operations Unit, said: "We believe it is very important for us to come together with our emergency service colleagues and bereaved families to remember those tragically lost on our roads."

The service in Thame will take place from 3pm at St Mary the Virgin Church.

To attend this service email RDMS@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk.

InBrief

Teacher faces action over pupil's 'gender'

A RESPECTED Christian teacher faces disciplinary action after referring to a transgender pupil as a girl, although the student identifies as a boy.

Joshua Sutcliffe, a pastor from Oxford, appeared at a hearing yesterday after admitting he said "well done girls" when addressing a group including the student.

After a week-long investigation earlier this month, the school found Mr Sutcliffe 'misgendered' the pupil.

Mr Sutcliffe said: "While the suggestion that gender is fluid conflicts sharply with my Christian beliefs I recognise my responsibility as a teacher and Christian to treat my pupils with respect and dignity.

"I have balanced these factors by calling the pupil by the chosen name and although I did not intentionally refer to the pupil as a 'girl' I do not believe it as unreasonable to call someone a girl if they were born a girl."

Sex assault denied

A DOCTOR has denied carrying out two sexual assaults at hospitals in Oxford and Cambridge.

Anandagopal Srinivasan, 28, of Sandfield Road, Oxford, is accused of assault at the John Radcliffe Hospital on October 8 last year.

The other assault is alleged to have taken place at Addenbrooke's in Cambridge on October 24, 2014.

Srinivasan pleaded not guilty at Oxford Crown Court on Friday and was bailed to appear at the same court on May 21 next year.

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Former City and County Councillor David Williams (centre, holding microphone), City Councillor John Tanner (front row, centre), Oxford European Association chair Ruvi Ziegler (on Cllr Tanner's right, in jacket), and Oxford for Europe organiser Colin Gordon (on Cllr Tanner's left, holding paper)

Give people their say on final terms of Brexit

MORE than 100 people attended an anti-Brexit rally in Oxford.

Speakers from the city council and the Oxford European Association spoke up against Article 50 at the event in Bonn Square, organised by Oxford for Europe.

Members of the groups handed out around 200 fliers telling people of their appeal to MPs and peers.

The group asked for "narrow party and personal advantage" to be put aside to ensure "people have a say on the final terms of an agreement, including the option of staying as full members of the European Union".

Cllr John Tanner, a city council board member, said: "The European Union (withdrawal) bill is a huge threat. To Oxford's car factory, universities and hospitals.

"Before quitting the rest of the EU the British people, one way or another, should have a say on whether they support this new arrangements.

Through another referendum, a General Election or a vote in Parliament, the people of this country must decide.

"Should Britain carry on with the Brexit madness? Democracy is not a vote once-only and never-again affair.

"The people of Oxfordshire, most of whom voted to remain, deserve to be heard."

Sweet! Jamie gives backing to city's sugar campaign

TV chef Jamie Oliver has given the thumbs up to Oxford's commitment to reduce its sugar intake.

The campaign SUGAR SMART UK launched at the Kassam Stadium on Saturday to get people to think about how much sugar they are consuming.

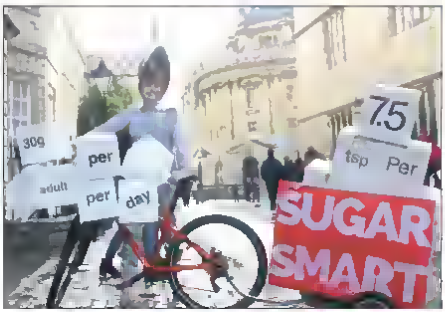
Oxford City Council has joined forces with the Jamie Oliver Foundation, Good Food Oxford and Oxford organisations on the project.

This comes after Good Food Oxford received £5 000 from Sustainable Food Cities to help launch a one-year project focussing on sugar reduction.

Councillor Hilary Hibbert-Biles, Oxfordshire County Council's cabinet member for public health and education, said "Children across Britain are eating nearly three times more sugar than they should, whereas the average adult consumes the equivalent of a whopping 140 teaspoons of sugar per week.

"We want to ensure all children have a healthy start in life and stay healthy into adulthood."

Jamie said, "It's brilliant that Oxford have joined us and are launching their own Sugar Smart campaign. They'll be joining us in raising awareness about the long-term damage too much sugar can have on our health, and empowering us all to reduce it in our diets."



Christine Jones from Oxfordshire County Council's public health team rode the SUGAR SMART complete with 'lumps' around Oxford to encourage people to find out how much sugar is in food and drinks

Cash to boost services for city migrants

OXFORD City Council has received almost £800 000 to ensure it is able to provide services under pressure from recent migration.

The Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG) has given £790 000 to tackle problems such as rogue landlords and poor housing conditions.

The money will also be used to improve English language support for refugees and asylum seekers and to support rough sleepers who have access to no other services.

The council said the funding would improve the authority's capacity to tackle anti-social behaviour, exploitation of migrants and human trafficking.

City council leader Bob Price said, "Oxford is a multinational and diverse city and migrants have long made a significant contribution to our economy and culture.

"We recognise there are barriers that prevent migrants from being able to play a full part in the Oxford community. In a time when all public services are stretched, it is also vital for services and all residents that migrants can use those services effectively."

He said the cash would also help people integrate into the community and work and also reduce pressure on the NHS.

The city will join forces with other Oxfordshire councils, education providers and the voluntary sector to provide more pre-entry English language classes for recent arrivals.

Man charged with administering poison with intent to cause harm

By Eva Astreinidou

THE man suspected of injuring seven police officers with a 'noxious substance' in Oxford will be on trial next month.

Hamad Nejad, 34, of Elizabeth Jennings Way, Oxford, has been charged with administering a poison with intent to inflict grievous bodily harm and of intimidation of a witness.

The charges are in connection with an incident on Thursday last week in Elizabeth Jennings Way, in which seven officers were injured by the release of a chemical substance while making a routine arrest.

Nejad was remanded in custody and appeared at Oxford Magistrates' Court on Friday.

His trial is due to start at Oxford Crown Court on December 4.

Around 60 people were evacuated from their homes and seven police officers were taken to hospital.

The property was evacuated after a potential chemical hazard and there are no reports of any members of the public being injured.

Two officers were kept in hospital overnight, while five others were treated for minor irritation after being exposed to the substance.

People were allowed back to their homes on Thursday afternoon and a police spokesperson confirmed the incident was not treated as being terrorism related.

A cordon remained in place for several hours after the incident.

Group manager Kerry Blair of Oxfordshire Fire and Rescue Service said extensive tests were carried out throughout the building and there was no risk to residents returning to their homes.

Superintendent Joe Kidman, Local Police Area Commander for Oxford, thanked residents for their patience and co-operation during the incident and apologised for any distress it may have caused.

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Charter in Claudia's name to make cycling safer in the city

By George Welch

A CHARTER for safer cycling in Oxford inspired by the death of city cyclist Claudia Comberti was launched last week.

The Claudia Charter was unveiled at the Tap Social Movement brewery on the Curtis Industrial Estate off Botley Road, close to where Ms Comberti died on May 9.

The charter, formulated by friends of Ms Comberti, the Broken Spoke Bike Co-op Cyclox, city councillors and academics from Oxford University was devised to set out a vision for cycling safety in Oxford.

It includes calls for decisive political commitment to cycle safety in and around Oxford, safer highways for cycle users and for greater respect for vulnerable road users.

Caitlin Bartlett, from bicycle workshop Broken Spoke said: "Claudia was an experienced cyclist but the city's roads let her down. Much of our city's infrastructure is outdated and dangerous.

"Actions such as ensuring a minimum of £10 per head is spent on cycling safety, building segregated cycle ways and prioritising the most vulnerable road users are already implemented in other cities and, indeed, contained within Oxford's own transport strategy.

"Now we need the help of the people of Oxford to take action to avoid any loss of life and serious injury in the future."

Launching the charter in Claudia's name at the Tap Social Movement brewery last week. Picture: Bjorn Eiben

An inquest last month concluded that the 31-year-old Oxford University PhD geography student's death was accidental after her foot slipped off one of her pedals.

Yadvinder Malhi, from the university, said: "Claudia was passionate both about cycling and about making a difference towards building a better city and a fairer world.

"She would be proud if this charter helps make that difference."

The charter has been endorsed so far by Oxford City Council and Oxford University.

To find out more about the charter and for details on how to sign up visit claudiacharter.uk

Cyclists took to the streets of Oxford after Claudia Comberti's death in May

InBrief

Jailed for break-in

A MAN has been jailed for three years after he broke into a flat in the city but was disturbed before he stole anything.

Daniel David Brackett, 39, of no fixed address was found guilty of burglary after a three day trial at Oxford Crown Court and sentenced the same day on Wednesday last week.

The court was told Brackett got into the flat on Bullingdon Road, Oxford, in May but was spotted by a member of public who called the police.

Police said it had been a "very stressful incident" for the owner of the flat, who was not home but "had to come to terms with the thought of someone breaking into her house."

Tavern reopens

THE Jericho Tavern is set to officially relaunch on Thursday, November 23 after a major refurbishment.

The Walton Street pub's interior has been given a makeover, but the venue has retained its original pub features and items featuring its well-known music culture.

Bands including Supergrass, Radiohead, Mumford & Sons and Pulp have all performed at the popular venue.

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Businesses sign up to living wage

A COUNCIL is urging more Oxford employers to pay the living wage after 40 businesses signed up.

With Oxford being the least affordable city for housing in the UK, Oxford City Council believe the living wage is "essential to help employees live with dignity".

The living wage in the city is set at £9.69 up from £9.26 the previous year and businesses are encouraged to sign up to this rate.

One of the businesses signed up to the initiative is Becky Hallsmith, who owns The Ultimate Picture Palace, who said, "I have always paid the Ultimate Picture Palace staff salaries based on the real living wage.

"Without my wonderfully enthusiastic and hard working team there would be no business — and although we operate on extremely tight margins, I feel strongly that it would be immoral not to ensure that the business plan allows for them to be paid a fair wage for the hard work that they do."

Councillor Mark Ladbrooke, chairman of Oxford City Council's Living Wage Review, said: "It is often said that Oxford has London prices with Midlands wages — and in the case of housing we are more unaffordable than London.

"Paying the living wage would help Oxford residents to bear the real cost of living, and evidence from living wage employers shows that the living wage is also good for business."

The living wage is a minimum hourly pay rate which is calculated by the Living Wage Foundation and updated every year.

Last week it announced an increase on the national average from £8.45 to £8.75, to take effect from April 2018.

Oxford tops growth city list again

OXFORD has topped a list of growth cities for the second year running.

The City of Dreaming Spires continues to lead the way as it maintained its narrow lead ahead of Reading, with the pair extending their lead over the chasing pack.

Consulting group PWC's annual Good Growth for Cities index measures the performance of UK cities in terms of economic success and wellbeing.

Factors considered include employment, health, income, skills, housing affordability, owner occupation, transport, environment and new business start-ups.

According to the report Oxford performs poorly when it comes to transport, house price to earnings and work life-balance.

However Oxford was named the top-scoring city after performing particularly well for jobs, health and income.

Oxford City Council leader Bob Price said: "These results are very pleasing. They reflect the dynamism of the local economy and the steady creation of new jobs in recent years.

"They are also a tribute to the excellence of our local health services. It is interesting to note that there is evidence of greater equality in income distribution.

"The city council and our colleagues in the county council and the Growth Board remain focused on tackling those areas where Oxford continues to lag.

"Our creation of a 2050 vision for Oxford will help ensure we can all continue to make the right choices to create the sort of city that people are happy with."

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Disappointment as further 502 homes approved for town

By Eva Astreinidou

CONTROVERSIAL plans to build 502 homes in Wallingford were approved despite numerous objections from residents

The decision to give the go ahead to the plans for land at Winterbrook, off Reading Road, north of the Wallingford Bypass have been called 'a great shame' by one councillor

Lynda Atkins said of the move by South Oxfordshire District Council "I am not surprised it has gone through, the district council are under a lot of pressure."

She said that one of her main concerns was sewage backing up from the housing development and that there is now a condition in place to resolve the issue before the homes are built, but added: "From previous experience elsewhere I am not sure that will happen."

Councillor Jane Murphy, a member of the district council planning committee, said "It is disappointing. I look forward to our local plan being in place so that this speculative planning can end."

Wallingford residents have previously raised concerns about how the development submitted by Berkeley Homes which would include a primary school and care home would change the historic town and would strain the already limited infrastructure.

Commenting on the plans last month, Wallingford resident Alan Fraser said. "There are many reasons why this application should be refused, not least the fact that approval of other applications recently and work already begun, is going to change drastically the size and nature of our wonderful historic town."

Peter Chappell, who also lives in Wallingford, said. "I strongly object to the proposed development on the grounds that it represents rapid over-development of Wallingford and is not sustainable."

He added that the housing will be built on land already subject to winter flooding, adding a significant risk to the area.

Andrew Saunders-Davies from Berkeley Homes, said. "We are pleased the application has been unanimously approved by the committee. Planning conditions will address all concerns, including infrastructure and sewage."

Do chefs have recipe to win parliament award?

Tony Warburton of the Crown Inn at Church Enstone and, Ian Neale of the Red Lion in Northmoor

NOT one but two west Oxfordshire pub chefs have been nominated by Witney MP Robert Courts for a parliamentary prize.

Tony Warburton of the Crown Inn at Church Enstone and Ian Neale of the Red Lion in Northmoor have been nominated for the 2017/18 Parliamentary Pub Chef of the Year award.

Tony who has been at the Crown for 15 years said: "I was delighted to be nominated by our local MP Robert Courts.

"We work really hard in a highly competitive area to offer something different

"We use local and seasonal ingredients from local suppliers, as much as possible including fresh fish which is delivered daily."

Ian added. "I'm flattered to have been nominated. It is a privilege to be considered for this award that would benefit both me and our business enormously."

The pair will be judged by an expert panel to decide whether they go through to the final stages where the chefs will display their cooking skills

Mr Courts said. "Pubs are a vital part of the community here in west Oxfordshire particularly in rural villages

"Both of these nominees have worked hard to preserve the traditional village pub revamping their establishments and becoming renowned for offering high quality local dishes which both reflect their setting and celebrate British cuisine."

Elsewhere from Oxfordshire, Jerome Prigent from the Horse and Groom in Goulcott near Bicester has been nominated.

Judging will take place next month with the final cook off taking place in January

£1,600 fine for selling puppies

A WOMAN has been fined £1,630 for running a pet shop without a licence.

Helen Moorey, 55, of Irlstone Road, Ashbury, near Wantage, had been involved with illegal puppy sales between August 2016 and May this year.

Due to the frequency puppies were available for sale and her refusal to let anyone into her property to meet the puppies' mother, the commercial operation required a licence.

Moorey, who refused to be interviewed under caution, did not provide any evidence at the trial at Oxford Magistrates' Court.

Moorey's limited means was taken into account at her sentencing on November 2, along with other recent convictions for fraud relating to the sale of puppies, for which she is serving an eight week prison sentence.

She was ordered to pay a fine of £600, a victim surcharge of £30 and a contribution towards prosecution costs of £1 000.

The case was prosecuted in court by Vale of White Horse District Council following an animal welfare complaint investigation by the council's environmental protection team.

Cllr Elaine Ware, cabinet member for environmental health at the Vale, said: "It is extremely important that anyone who makes a living from their sale is properly licensed and maintains the standards required."

New energy system cuts hospital costs by £200k

By Samantha McGregor

TWO hospitals in Oxford have slashed more than £200 000 off their monthly energy bill thanks to a new £14 8m power system.

The figures were revealed as the John Radcliffe Hospital's new combined heat and power centre was officially opened last week by Oxford East MP Anneliese Dodds.

In October 2016, the energy bill for the John Radcliffe and Churchill hospitals was £484 175 03, the same month in 2017 it was £252,832 27, a difference of £231 343.03, the equivalent of £7462 a day.

Dr Bruno Holthof, chief executive of Oxford University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, said it was "exceptionally" good news.

The Hospital Energy Project saw old boilers in the Churchill and John Radcliffe hospitals replaced with a Combined Heat and Power (CHP) engine, new combi boilers, an Energy Link between the two hospitals and heat stations.

Management building systems were also updated and upgraded and 6,407 light fittings were replaced as part of the project.

Annaliese Dodds, MP, cuts the ribbon at the JR's new Energy Centre accompanied by Trust and Vital Energi staff

The trust said the changes will cut CO2 output by 10,000 tonnes per year – the equivalent of the CO2 emissions from 4 000 homes.

Mr Holthof said: "It marks the culmination of two and a half years' work on site to remove our 30-year-old boilers at the John Radcliffe and Churchill and replace them with the infrastructure we need today and for the future.

"It is exceptionally good news that we are already seeing significant savings on our energy bills.

"These initial results are very encouraging, but I would stress that these are only for the first month and so may not be representative of savings for a full year. We shall monitor future months' savings very closely."

The hospitals' head of operational estates and facilities management Claire Hennessy said: "This is a new era of sustainable energy provision for the Trust.

"For the first time in decades, we are going into the winter with reliable heat and power while also cutting our CO2 emissions and saving on our energy bills and backlog maintenance."

In Brief

'Buses are needed'

A MOTION calling for Oxfordshire County Council to "recognise the need of bus services" across the county has been backed.

Put forward by Liberal Democrat Cllr Kirsten Johnson, the motion calls on the cabinet to work towards a set of principles, which include "every resident has access to daily public transport."

She said: "Good bus services promote community, they integrate society, they allow young people to continue to live in villages.

"Good bus services reduce vehicle emissions and improve air quality, all whilst providing a service many need."

Helping homeless

WEST Oxfordshire District Council is planning to buy a property in a bid to prevent people being homeless.

It would be used as emergency accommodation to avoid residents having to move into bed and breakfast outside the area while a suitable longer-term property is found.

It said there were usually five households in emergency accommodation at any one time and it expected the new house to be constantly in use.

The council expects the move would "significantly" reduce the £38,200 currently spent on emergency accommodation and was due to decide last night.

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Transport app offers options

TECHNOLOGY developed by an Oxford-based company could be used by councils across the UK.

Zipabout has created a computer programme that can map transport options for people wherever they are.

At the touch of a button people can get more information about community transport schemes, mobility services, bikes, lift shares and park and ride as well as details about the public transport network.

Zipabout also claims the technology can predict pollution issues or transport disruption, and provide motorists, cyclists or pedestrians with personalised routing alternatives in real-time.

The firm says the technology can help councils reduce pollution in cities and towns. It is so confident in its product the software has been given free to every local authority in the UK.

Daniel Chick, Zipabout's technical director said: "By making this unique and powerful platform available to local authorities free of charge, we are helping to ensure that they can provide sustainable transport and other smart city initiatives that can compete on a technical level with the likes of Uber, CityMapper and other global technology giants.

"We are helping to ensure that these services are delivered in an integrated fashion, and for the benefit of their constituents, and a tech giant's shareholders."

The platform has been developed using technologies originally developed for the online advertising sector.

InBrief

Visitors spend £2bn

A NEW report revealed visitors to Oxfordshire spent more than £2billion in the area for the first time.

Commissioned by Experience Oxfordshire, the Economic Impact Report for Tourism in Oxfordshire found the county welcomed 27.6million visitors in 2016 who spent £2.04bn – an increase of 4.4 per cent.

It showed the biggest visitor spend – 41 per cent – was in Oxford, while the largest number of trips were to Cherwell – the home of designer outlet shopping centre Bicester Village – with 26 per cent.

Help food collection

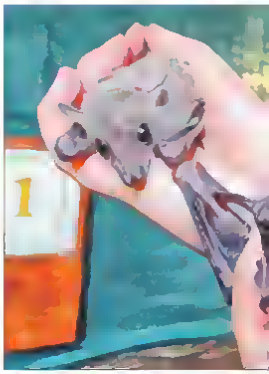
FOOD charities FareShare and The Trussell Trust are looking for volunteers to join an Oxfordshire Christmas food collection.

The collection will take place at Tesco stores across the county from Thursday, November 30 to Saturday, December 2.

The move is to help support foodbanks and community groups working across the county.

For more information about how to volunteer over the period and the work of the charities go to trusselltrust.org

To the bat cave for this pair



HAVING your children 'flee the nest' has been redefined after a keeper at Cotswold Wildlife Park took on the parental duties of two abandoned baby Egyptian Fruit Bats.

The bats – named Bruce and Wayne – were found roosting by themselves in the Burford park's Bat House.

Without food or the warmth of their mothers chances of survival were slim, so deputy section head of primates at the park Natalie Horner took the babies, known as pups, home and became surrogate mother to the pair.

Ms Horner, who described the unexpected job as 'heart-melting' provided round-the-clock care and even gave them flying lessons in her spare bedroom to make sure their wings developed properly.

At four to six weeks old the bats weighed just 40 grams and were unable to maintain their own body temperature so had to be kept in an incubator for two weeks and monitored closely.

Hand-rearing the tiny winged-mammals was no mean feat for Ms Horner as she had to invest a lot of time and effort in the newborns.

She said: "I had to feed the babies every three hours in the early days. They were given milk as well as mashed fruit. The first feed of the day was at 6am and the last feed was at midnight.

"One of the things I'll never forget was wrapping the babies in their blankets for feed times.

"Wrapping them up gave them comfort as their mother would wrap her wings around them to keep them safe. As soon as they finished their feed they would fall asleep wrapped in their blankets. It really melted my heart."

After four months of devoted care Bruce and Wayne developed into healthy youngsters and have now re-joined the bat colony at the park.

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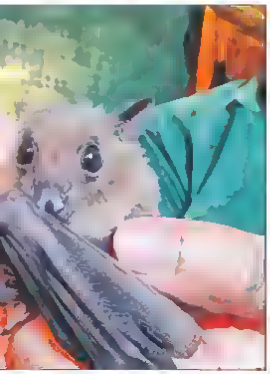

Bruce and Wayne have now rejoined the colony after being hand-reared
Pictures: Cotswold Wildlife Park

Banker's role in £107m tax fraud

By George Welch

A FORMER Oxford banker and music industry executive has been jailed for his role in an audacious and cynical tax fraud.

Evdoros Chrysanthos Demetriou, 78, of Woodstock Road, was found guilty of conspiracy to cheat the public revenue and sentenced to six years after persuading wealthy people to invest in environmental projects in exchange for tax breaks.

Overall six men were jailed for 45 years in total after they used the cash to fund lavish lifestyles, buying overseas property and luxury holidays.

HM Revenue & Customs said it could have lost up to £107m as a result.

HMRC's director of fraud investigation service Simon York said: "This was an audacious and cynical fraud on an astonishing scale characterised by greed and a complete disregard for the ecological causes the perpetrators claimed to be supporting.

"At every step they used contrived offshore structures, complex transactions and blatant lies in an attempt to hide their tracks and derail our criminal investigation."

HMRC said the group, led by "self-styled ringleader" and scientist Michael Richards, enticed 730 high earners to invest in research and development projects focused on reforesting areas of Brazil and China.

The convictions follow a 10 year investigation by HMRC.

Mr Justice Edis said: "It was hare-faced dishonesty and you did everything to inflict loss on the public, the people who pay their taxes, who were also victims.

"It was utter dishonesty, sophisticated planning and astonishing greed hidden behind a mask of concern for the environment."

Richards, 55, from, East Sussex, and Robert Gold, 49 from Dubai were both sentenced to 11 years in prison.

Solicitor Rodney Whiston Dew, 66 from Greenwich, was jailed for 10 years.

Oxford educated business consultant Jonathan Anwyl, 44, from East Sussex, was sentenced to five and a half years in jail, while Demetriou received six years.

The five men were all found guilty of conspiracy to cheat the public revenue.

The sixth man, Malcolm Gold 73 from St Albans, admitted cheating the public revenue and was sentenced to 28 months in jail in January 2017.

Police want to speak to these two men in connection with the four burglaries and seven attempted break ins at shops in Bicester

Businesses broken into in one-night burglary spree

POLICE have released CCTV images of two men after a spate of burglaries in Bicester town centre.

Officers said thieves broke into four businesses and attempted to break into a further seven shops overnight on November 2 to 3.

Police have linked the incidents and said they want to speak to the men in the images who "may have vital information in connection with a series of burglaries in Bicester".

The stores targeted included Inside Out Developments, in Churchill Road, where an impact drill and soldering equipment was stolen, cash was taken from Gold Star Nails in Crown Walk, and in Dove and Conway Opticians, in Sheep Street, where cash, two iPads and a laptop were stolen.

Travel agent TUI, in Crown Walk, was broken into but nothing was taken.

Burglars also attempted to get in to Just Men and Sharron's Cutting Room, both in Evans Yard, and Boots Opticians, Options Beauty, Coles Bookstore, Robinsons Antiques and Boutique and Baguette Box all in Crown Walk.

Sergeant Kerry O'Leary of the Bicester Neighbourhood Policing Team, said: "I am keen to speak to the men in the CCTV images, as they might have information which is vital to our investigation."

Anyone with information about the burglaries or the CCTV images should call police on 101 quoting reference 43170326941.

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News

Stars fans to net shirts in city thanks to bus firm deal

FANS of Oxford City Stars will soon be able to buy merchandise when the club sells its stock in the city centre for the first time

After striking an agreement with sponsors Oxford Bus Company the high-flying side will have its products on sale at the bus firm's Gloucester Green lounge and travel shop from November 23.

As part of the deal, Oxford Bus Company buses will also broadcast highlights of Stars games on the information screens on its vehicles.

Stars director Greig Box Turnbull said. "This gets the City Stars right into the heart of the city centre and provides exposure to thousands of visitors. Not only will it help generate revenue for the club for us to re-invest into developing the Stars but it will also help broaden the club's engagement with a wider audience.

"Our clothing range has strong Oxford branding on it so hopefully it will appeal to tourists as well as supporters."

The former Oxford United director added. "The club is run by volunteers so this is fantastic progress for us and we are all extremely grateful to the Oxford Bus Company for their generous support and backing."

Oxford Bus Company managing director Phil Southall said. "We are proud to support and sponsor Oxford City Stars and have been impressed by their ambition and values. I'm sure the partnership will continue to grow"

Oxford City Stars director Greig Box Turnbull, left, and Oxford Bus Company managing director Phil Southall

TVP outstanding despite its budget and resources

THAMES Valley police was one of only two police forces rated as 'outstanding' in a national assessment despite budget cuts and limited resources.

The force has been given the highest grading possible by the HM Inspectorate of Constabulary and Fire & Rescue services (HMICFRS) due to its ability to make the most of its resources.

Thames Valley Police was one of only two out of the 43 in England and Wales that received the grading for its levels of efficiency

This follows on from the force receiving a 'good' rating in previous years.

Chief Constable Francis Habgood said. "We are proud to serve the communities of Thames Valley and this grading is a great endorsement that we are making the most of the limited resources that are available to us."

Anthony Stansfeld, Police and Crime Commissioner for TVP, said. "Like all forces we are coping with reduced budgets and increased demand on policing and only by being efficient can we meet the demands placed upon us. I am delighted that HMIC recognise that Thames Valley Police has risen to this challenge."

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Uni has 'tens of millions offshore'

By George Welch

LEAKED documents have revealed the multi-million pound offshore investments made by Oxford University

Known as the Paradise Papers, an investigation into more than 13.4million files released by two offshore service providers and the company registries of 19 tax havens found the university and many other high profile individuals are sheltering funds out of the country

Both Oxford and Cambridge universities are said to have invested in funds based in the Cayman Islands, a tax haven popular with many American and British hedge funds.

However, both universities have stressed they are charities, meaning there was 'normally no tax to pay'

A total of 29 Oxbridge colleges – nearly half of the total number making up the universities – have secretly invested tens of millions of pounds in offshore funds, including in a joint venture to develop oil exploration and deep-sea drilling

Uncovered papers have revealed that, in 2006, Oxford invested £2.6million in Guernsey-based private equity firm Coller International. Cambridge invested £1.3m.

One of the firm's funds, Coller International Partners V – one of the largest of its kind in the world – had invested in energy companies, including £760m in Royal Dutch Shell an oil and gas company

The revelation is likely to increase pressure on the two universities to divest from fossil fuels.

Oxford announced it was exiting from coal and tar sands investment in 2015 but has since continued to invest in other fossil fuels.

A spokesperson for Oxford University told the Guardian. "As charitable trusts Oxford University's endowment is exempt from UK tax. The taxpayer therefore does not lose a penny from our investments

"The investments generate some £80m a year which is spent on key academic priorities in Oxford.

"These include the majority of our scholarships and bursaries for students, vital research across medicine, the sciences, social sciences and humanities and our globally outstanding teaching.

"That is £80m for UK education and research which the taxpayer does not have to fund."

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Passing remembrance on to future generation

CROWDS lined the streets of Oxfordshire over the weekend to mark Remembrance Day and pay tribute to those who lost their lives in conflict.

On Friday RAF Brize Norton's personnel stopped all non-essential duties to attend a ceremony led by the Station Padre Wing Commander Geoff Withers for service and civilian personnel at the Oxfordshire base.

Silence fell at 11am as personnel remembered those from across the world who died or were injured in the service of their country.

In Carterton's Memorial Garden, children from RAF Brize Norton pre-school laid pebbles to form a poppy to mark Remembrance Day.

Children who all wore their poppies on their clothes had painted pebbles red, black and green to create a big poppy to honour the fallen.

Witney Town Mayor Chris Woodward and MP Robert Courts attended the service in Witney to lay a wreath at the memorial site in an event attended by hundreds of people braving the chilly weather.

Parades in Abingdon, Wallingford and Didcot were also very well attended.

Wallingford councillor and supporter of the British Legion, Lynda Atkins said, "The Remembrance Parade in Wallingford was very well attended indeed again this year with people standing five-deep around the Market Place.

A young boy proudly wears medals at the service at RAF Benson

"I was very pleased to see so many young people there, both in the parade with cadets, scouts guides brownies, cubs and rainbows all there and in the crowd. It is very important to pass the idea of remembrance on to future generations and that seems to be working in Wallingford."

The same strong show of solidarity and respect came across the county in north Oxfordshire too.

In Banbury more than 300 people took part in the town's Remembrance Day parade.

The military and civic procession, led by the Air Cadets Band, moved through the town before going into People's Park where more than 40 poppy wreaths were laid at the war memorial.

Service men and women, veterans and civilians placed wreaths at the Cenotaph before a closing ceremony that included the lowering of flags and a moving rendition of The Last Post.

This year's tribute was the first since the town's war memorial was updated to include those who died serving their country in all wars and conflicts at home and abroad as well as the fallen in the two World Wars.

Royal British Legion Banbury branch president and leader of Banbury Town Council Kieron Mallon said, "Remembrance Day honours those who made the ultimate sacrifice and it is a tribute to them that so many people turned out to stand in silence as the parade marched through town."

In Bicester crowds gathered at St Edburg's Church.

Wreaths were laid by town dignitaries including mayor Les Sibley and deputy lord lieutenant Miranda Markham, as well as groups and organisations including the police, prisons and fire service.

Visitors from Bicester's twinned towns in France, Germany and Poland also laid wreaths.

Following the church service a parade was led by the band of 2507 Bicester Squadron Air Training Cadets and soldiers from 1 Regiment Royal Logistic Corps Army.

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The grey cold weather didn't deter people in Wallingford from joining the service
Left, wreaths adorned the war memorial in St Giles in Oxford
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Standards were held proudly aloft in Witney town centre

Members of the armed forces saluted as they passed the memorial in Wallingford | Picture: SAC Amy Lupton

Poppy wreaths were laid in tribute by young and old in Banbury

Scouts joined members of the armed forces in the parade in Bicester to remember those lost in conflict

Hundreds of people lined the streets in Witney to watch the parade and pay their respects

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'Homelessness charity helped me get my life back on track'

Recovering alcoholic raising awareness of addiction problem

By Eva Astreinidou

A MAN who refused to believe he was an alcoholic and lost his home has turned things around after his life got 'as low as it can get'.

Formerly homeless man Gavin Faulkner, 50, has decided to mark alcohol awareness week this week by sharing his story of addiction.

He started drinking at the age of 14 and years later, having had a daughter with his partner, was facing homelessness after he was unable to pay the rent.

But thanks to rehab and a local charity taking him in for the last four years, he has been able to turn his life around and rebuild relationships with people close to him.

Recalling how it started, Gavin said: "My girlfriend at the [age of 14] had a problem with alcohol. We would save up and get drink and cigarettes from a garage in the village. As I got older we had a little more cash and the drinking got heavier."

Having left school, having a job meant more freedom and the problem escalated. "Now I had money I could drink to my heart's content. I met a woman and we moved in together but she was also an alcoholic so everyday we'd start drinking early."

The two had a daughter together, but were reaching the point of being unable to pay the rent.

He said: "When the deadline came we were homeless. The council put us up in very basic emergency accommodation for three years."

When their relationship broke down, Gavin's mother took him in.

He said: "Mum was watching her son dying right in front of her and I slowly began to realise that I might have a problem and needed help. Eventually mum suggested going into rehab and I agreed."

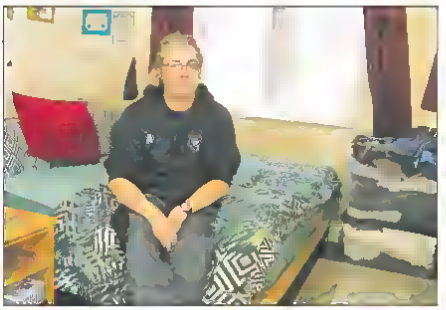
Gavin completed a year of specialist rehab and was then referred to the homelessness charity Emmaus Oxford as a recovering alcoholic.

He said: "It felt like home and it still feels like that."

He added: "I hadn't seen my daughter since my recovery started but since I have been at Emmaus this has started to change. We're back in touch and meet up occasionally.

"I've realised that until my dying days I'll always be a recovering alcoholic but I feel that I've got to the end of the road. Emmaus has given me stability and changed me for the better."

The charity currently supports 28 formerly homeless people by giving them a home and meaningful work.



Gavin Faulkner says Emmaus Oxford has 'changed him for the better'

InBrief

Marine repatriated

A ROYAL marine whose death is still under investigation was repatriated last week.

The aircraft carrying Royal Marine James Holloway of 42 Commando landed last Wednesday at RAF Brize Norton.

A cortege passed the Memorial Garden before carrying on to the John Radcliffe Hospital.

A Navy spokesperson said: "We can confirm that Marine James Holloway died aboard RFA Fort Rosalie. The cause of death is still under investigation however we can confirm it was not as a result of operational activity. Our thoughts and sympathies are with his family and friends at this sad time."

140mph driver high

A DRIVER stopped for speeding at more than 140mph was high at the time.

Thames Valley Police roads team pulled the motorist over on the M40 last week.

When officers, who tweeted about the incident at 2.24am on Tuesday last week, tested the man for illegal substances they found cannabis in his system.

Under new drug laws introduced in 2015, it is illegal to have more than two micrograms of delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol or THC (the active compound found in cannabis), per 100ml of blood.

Plan to use buses as homeless shelters

A PROJECT that will convert double-decker buses into mobile homeless shelters could help tackle the growing amount of rough sleepers in Oxford.

Action group Homes4All has joined forces with Oxford Green party to reveal the scheme and plans to raise funds for it.

Speaking at the launch last week, Oxford city councillor and leader of the Green party, David Thomas said: "Not only could [the project] provide vital accommodation just as winter sets in, but the homeless community themselves will play a key role in refurbishing and managing the buses.

"Everyone in Oxford should be getting behind this project to make it a success."

Councillor Mike Rowley-board member for housing, said new ideas are welcomed as rough sleeping continues to increase and cited the success of similar schemes in Reading and the Isle of Wight.

He said: "What is essential is that these solutions are properly resourced to address the complex needs of people – many with drug or alcohol dependency and mental health issues – and provide a safe environment, as well as offering shelter.

"At the moment there is a lack of provision of emergency winter accommodation across the county outside of Oxford – and it may be that this sort of mobile provision could be particularly effective in meeting those needs."

He said the council is working with a range of organisations to provide solutions to the lack of winter accommodation.

'Hearing glasses' win competition

THIS dedicated primary school pupil has won global recognition for an invention idea that assists people with hearing loss by helping them see things they can't hear.

Rye St Antony School youngster Jacob Levy has been selected as one of two winners of the global Ideas for Ears competition.

The Year 5 pupil's creative idea is 'hearing glasses' – a pair of spectacles that allows people with hearing loss to see the things they can't hear.

The glasses would detect sound and turn conversations into written words for the wearer to read in front of their eyes.

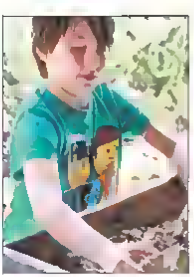
The frames would also convert everyday noises into images such as a dog barking, or vibrate with a red warning when there is a potentially dangerous situation.

The competition run by technology business MED-EL, is designed to encourage young inventors aged six to 11 to dream up new, imaginative ways of helping people with hearing loss.

As one of the winners Jacob will be flown out to Innsbruck in Austria for a tour of MED-EL's research and development factory.

Emma Coode, head of prep at the Oxford school, said: "We are all extremely proud of Jacob's achievement.

"To be selected from entrants from across the world is credit to his creativity and dedication – something that we encourage and develop in all of our students."



Jacob Levy has won a world-wide competition with his invention of hearing glasses

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The British Honey Company sales and marketing director Oliver Williams

A sweet taste of success

A LONG Hanborough honey producer is enjoying the sweet taste of success after securing a momentous contract with a supermarket to sell its new range of spirits

The Honey Company will supply rums, gins and vodkas distilled with Oxfordshire-produced honey to 50 Midcounties Co-operative Food stores in the county

The honey-based alcohol range co-branded with The Midcounties Co-operative's Best of Our Counties logo will feature popular alcoholic drinks with a sweet twist, including British Honey & Salted Caramel Vodka, Cotswold Honey Spiced Rum and Cotswold Honey Gin.

Sales and marketing director Oliver Williams, 25, said: "My family and I set up The British Honey Company in 2014 so to see our products on the shelves of Midcounties Co-operative Food stores in such a short amount of time is a huge achievement for us.

"We met the Best of Our Counties team at a farm shop and deli show three years ago and our partnership started there.

"It's great to be working with a retailer that really supports suppliers in the area and values locally-made products."

Pensions should 'not be invested in fossil fuels'

By George Welch

LIVID climate change campaigners have urged the county council to sever its ties with the fossil fuel industry after a report revealed the authority has invested nearly £133million in oil, coal and gas through its pension fund.

Campaign group Fossil Free Oxfordshire said the controversial investments threaten the climate and also represent an unacceptable financial risk to pension-holders.

Group member Al Chisholm said: "It is shocking to see our council investing so significantly in such a financially risky and morally bankrupt industry.

"Two years ago our government agreed to the Paris Treaty pledging that the UK, along with the rest of the world, would take real action to tackle climate change."

He added: "It [the fund] specifically includes risk due to climate change and the sooner it stops investing in the companies responsible for the crisis the better.

"It flies in the face of all the efforts being made locally to reduce emissions and combat climate change."

Across the UK, council pension funds invest a total of £16bn in oil, coal and gas companies, up from £14bn in 2015.

Oxfordshire County Council's investment is up nearly 11 per cent from £120m in the same year.

Pete Walkis, member of Oxfordshire's pension scheme and a Fossil Free Oxfordshire supporter, said: "As a council employee I'm deeply uncomfortable that my pension is being invested in companies that are still exploring for new sources of fossil fuel.

"Our councils, and all public institutions, must cut their ties with the fossil fuel companies responsible and divest."

A county council spokesperson said it was the Oxfordshire Pension Fund Committee which managed the Oxfordshire Local Government Pension Scheme on behalf of more than 150 employers across the county including the county city and district councils.

A statement read: "Legal opinion obtained by the national Shadow Scheme Advisory Board states that the first duty of all Pension Fund Committees is to the membership of the scheme and that they cannot place ethical and other social, environmental and governance factors above the requirement to maximise the investment returns for a given level of risk."

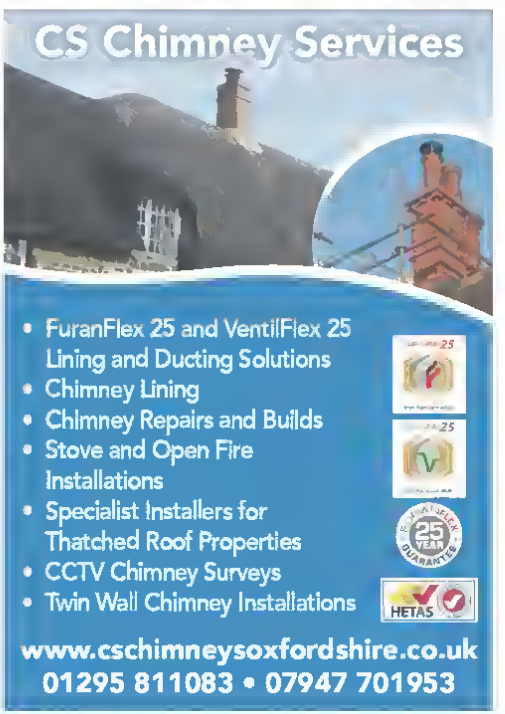
Witness appeal after lorry hits car in morning rush hour

POLICE are appealing for witnesses after a lorry hit a car on the roundabout at the junction of Ermont and Hennef Way in Banbury and didn't stop.

The blue Audi Estate was just coming in to Banbury from junction 11 of the M40 when the lorry drove across its path, "severely damaging the front left hand side of the car" leaving the passengers stranded on the carriageway. The lorry is described as being white with a trailer possibly with sign writing on it.

The incident took place just after 7.30am on Wednesday, November 1.

Anyone with information should call 101 quote reference URN 233 01.11.2017 and speak to PC Ian Bailey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Award for transformation of former pub

A PROJECT that turned a former Victorian pub in Oxford city centre into luxury apartments has won a major award.

The building at 46 Hythe Bridge Street picked up a plaque for the best Small Project at the Oxford Preservation Trust (OPT) awards last Tuesday.

Judges recognised the restoration project, led by Jericho-based Robin Swailes Design and Development, which transformed the building from a disused eyesore to a development offering six short-term lets for visitors to the city.

Director Robin Swailes said: "We worked very hard to retain the original character and façade of the building and bring it back to life as a modern destination for visiting tourists and business people.

"This award is testament to the expertise of our team and I am delighted their efforts have been recognised with such a prestigious honour."

The apartments make use of original features such as high ceilings and refurbished sash windows while the original Victorian staircase has been restored.

It is the second OPT honour in a row for the design and development firm after it was awarded a special certificate in the small projects category last year for its transformation work on the former Maroon Bar and Chequers pub on the corner of St Thomas Street and Hollybush Row.

Robin Swailes collected an award for the apartments in Hythe Bridge Street

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Festive fun for P2G to finish a fabulous year

By George Welch

WITH Christmas less than 40 days away our award-winning charity of the year is filling its sack with festivity as it launches its final fundraising push of the year

Didcot-based group Play2Give is rounding off its 10th year with several Christmas themed events and hopes to boost the £16,000 already raised this year

P2G set up by Great Western Park's Andy Baker in 2007, has enjoyed its most successful year raising funds for Oxford Children s Hospital and Headway Oxfordshire

This is what the group has in store for the remainder of the year

■ A Christmas party on November 24 with festivities at The Barn on Foxhall Road from 7pm.

The free family friendly event will feature party games, a disco and Santa s grotto

■ On November 30 the fun of the fair returns to Didcot as the annual Street Fair returns to town.

The traditional Christmas fun will include a wide range of stalls among the bustling crowds enjoying all the thrills and excitement of fun fair rides

■ Lastly a sea of Santas will gather in their finest suits and hats to take part in a 5k Santa Run around Milton Park on December 8 to support both P2G and the Oxfordshire MS Therapy Centre based on the business and technology park.

More than 100 Santas are expected to dive into the Christmas spirit early by sprinting, running, walking, jogging – or even piggy-backing – around the 250 acre site from 12 15pm

The event is open to all abilities at a £5 minimum entry donation. Register at parkclub.co.uk/miltonparksantarun/

Andy said. "This year has been a phenomenal year for us at P2G but we still hope to raise more before the end of this year

"So we encourage people to get involved with our many festive events and help change, transform and save lives as the more we raise the more people that can be helped and the more of a difference we can make."

Visit tinyurl.com/klsdkxx to donate to the P2G appeal.

Members of Rotary Club of Abingdon Vesper planting crocus bulbs

Digging deep to treat polio

SOUTH Oxfordshire will be blooming purple this spring after thousands of purple crocuses were planted by rotary club members.

The move is part of a global project by all Rotary Clubs in the UK and Rotary International to raise money and awareness to help eradicate Polio.

Over the past few weeks three rotary clubs, Abingdon Abingdon Vesper and Riverside planted 7 500 purple crocus bulbs in the town s Albert Park.

Richard Benton of the Rotary Club of Abingdon Vesper said "Myself and my wife Hazel joined with other Rotarians from around the UK in planting 50 000 purple crocuses in the Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park.

"The purple crocus represents the purple ink used to mark the finger of a ch ld when it is given the oral pol o vaccine

"This is in countries where polio is still endemic and those with a high risk of recurrence."

The flowers are planted to raise awareness of the campaign – but cash has also been raised to pay for children to be vaccinated

Mr Benton and his wife have been to India seven times to help with the immunisation programme and are planning another trip in 2018

Foreign Office is 'not helping'

THE parents of 'Jihadi Jack' have accused the Foreign Office of doing nothing to help their son who is being held in Syria.

Jack Letts who turns 22 next week, converted to Islam and travelled to Syria in 2014

He has told journalists he is being held by Kurds and is in solitary confinement in a jail in north-east Syria.

Mr Letts mother, Sally Lane, told the Guardian the FCO and Boris Johnson have been completely obstructive and have refused to help in getting their son released.

She told the paper: "Alistair Burt (a Foreign Office minister) has sent us four identical letters saying that they can t do anything."

His parents who live in Oxford, say Mr Letts has serious mental health issues and that they are very concerned about his welfare.

The family dispute claims their son travelled to Syria to join Islamic State but added they want him to face trial in the UK if there is any evidence he joined Isis.

An FCO spokeswoman told the paper: "We have consistently made clear over the last few years that people should not travel to Syria and parts of Iraq.

"As outlined in the FCO's travel advice, the government is unable to provide support to British nationals in Syria as the UK government does not have consular representation."

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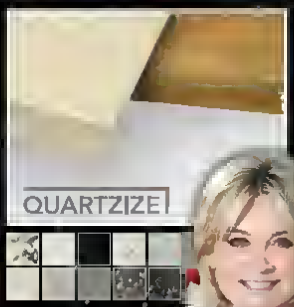

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Trainee shortlisted for national award

AN Oxfordshire social worker has been shortlisted for an award for her work with refugee children.

Nabeela Talib, 24, has won a place in the finals for the Student Social Worker of the Year at the profession's top annual awards ceremony.

She has worked with children across Oxfordshire, young refugees and is currently in India with the Human Rights Law Network, an organisation made up of lawyers and social workers, helping Rohingya refugees.

Nabeela completed her Master's degree at Oxford Brookes and took on a training placement with Oxfordshire County Council where she worked on a caseload overseeing six young people.

Nabeela said: "I was in a strange state of disbelief and awe when I got the email about the nomination.

"All I've done in the past two years of my MA is put my head down and put all my energy, life and soul into the placements and the academic work.

"I don't feel as though I've done anything particularly special - it's only because I've had amazing mentors along the way and they've helped me harness my passion for social work."

Nabeela's interest in social work developed as a teenager after her family began fostering unaccompanied asylum-seeking children.

As part of her university course she also had a placement with Asylum Welcome and afterwards joined the council's Looked After Children and Leaving Care teams.

She said: "Children's social work gives you the unique opportunity to work with children and young people who are in vulnerable situations and are marginalised in one way or another by society.

"Not only do we get the chance to support them in their journey, but we get the platform to make a difference to the generation that is our future."

The council's cabinet member for children and family services Steve Harrod said: "Nabeela has been a great asset to our children's social work teams and shown herself to be an excellent practitioner."

The winners will be announced later this month.

Nabeela Talib is in the running for the Student Social Worker of the Year award

Fears over JR parking spaces

By Eva Astreinidou

CAMPAIGNERS are warning that a new facility at John Radcliffe Hospital could cause more parking issues.

Oxford University have submitted an application for a new neuroscience research facility and are waiting on a decision from a planning committee.

Campaign group One Voice says the development would result in 157 new members of staff across the site and a potential loss of staff parking space which could then lead to the use of visitors' car parking spaces.

A spokesperson for the group said the new facility will also mean additional visitors to the site, additional pressure for parking on and off-site which may 'further exacerbate existing issues including staff parking in visitor spaces' and further issues with displaced parking in residential areas that currently do not have parking controls.

Car parking spaces are notoriously short at the JR site – just last year the NHS trust that owns the hospital advised visitors allow an hour to find a place to park.

The number of patients at the hospital has increased 37 per cent over 10 years, while the number of spaces is unchanged – the car parking spaces remain at 730.

A spokesperson for Oxford University said: "This development will not cause a loss of parking space on the JR site.

"The application also includes a significant number of cycle parking facilities (74 spaces with 18 of those being for visitors).

"We do not expect that the new building will increase visits to the site and any new staff parking permits will be issued – the new facility will house research that is already happening at the JR.

"The university encourages staff to travel by bike or public transport, where possible, and 64 per cent of our staff currently travel to the site by means other than car.

"With the improvements to bus and cycle access being carried out in the Headington area we expect this number to increase in the coming years."

InBrief

Join tea party

PEOPLE are being reminded to book their place for Thame's Senior Citizen's Christmas Tea Party.

It takes place at Thame Football Club on Friday December 8, from 1.30pm to 4pm and will feature a host of festive food and entertainment.

The event is free to attend, includes transport if required, and is jointly organised by Thame Town Council, Rotary, Inner Wheel and the football club.

Places must be reserved ahead of the event.

For more information or to book call Rosie Collins on 01844 260495 or email rosie.collins@thametowncouncil.gov.uk or drop into the Town Hall Information Centre.

Help secret Santas

SECRET Santas from Oxford law firm Blake Morgan are calling on local businesses to support an appeal helping children looked after by social services receive at least one present this Christmas.

The firm's initiative donated 400 gifts last year and the bar has been set at 600 for this festive period.

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A giant of a pantomime!

By Samantha McGregor

JACK and the Beanstalk the Oxford Playhouse's most "gigantic produc tion" is gearing up to take to the stage

The year's festive pantomime opens on Friday November 24 ah yes it does – and will run until Sunday January 7

For the third year running the production has been written and directed by Steve Marmion

Based on the English folk tale about the plucky but naive Jack and his handful of beans this new production features Ricky Oakley as Jack he recently appeared in the new musical Roller Diner at the Soho Theatre

After getting into humungous trouble with his mother for selling their hapless cow lar a handful ol beans Jacks dreams begin to come true when they start to grow – and grow and GROW

Who knows what surprises he will face?

Paul Barnhill first seen at Oxford Playhouse as the treacherous and conniving Abanazer in Aladdin at Christmas 2015 returns to Oxford to play Jack's mother Dame Trott.

A multi-talented cast bring to life Jacks best friend Jill the Giant and his evil henchmen Dal Slowly and Judi Rench, the Goose the Fairy Jagger the Cow and his clever sister Smart Simone

Jack and the Beanstalk also stars a young company of 20 local children aged 11 to 15 who are ready to take their place on stage

With original music current tunes and some golden oldies there will be fun for both adults and children alike

Be ready to boo the baddies applaud the goodies and join our hero Jack on his journey as he ascends the giant beanstalk on his quest to conquer the giant.

Tickets for Jack and the Beanstalk at Oxford Playhouse start at £15 and are available from the Ticket Office on 01865 305305 or view oxfordplayhouse com

Ricky Oakley and Paul Barnhill star as Jack and Dama Trott in this year's panto at Oxford Playhouse
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On stage

Christmas gift from G4 at Sheldonian

Classical group G4 will perform their Christmas tour at the Sheldonian Theatre Oxford on December 15

The audience will be treated to timeless classics such as When A Child is Born Silent Night and All I Want For Christmas as well as medleys to evoke the Christmas spirit, all delivered up-close and personal in some of the UK's most iconic historical venues

G4 continue to work in association with the charity Miss ng People and their Home For Christmas Appeal and a collection will be made during the concert.

For more information go to G4Official com

Roots in folk music

Folk duo Hannah Sanders and Ben Savage stop off in Abingdon as part of a national tour

After a chance meeting at a Cambridge folk club, the pair formed a partnersh p performing American roots and English folk music

They take to the stage at the Un corn Theatre Abingdon on December 7, to pay their own tribute to the late Woody Guthrie who died 60 years ago this year

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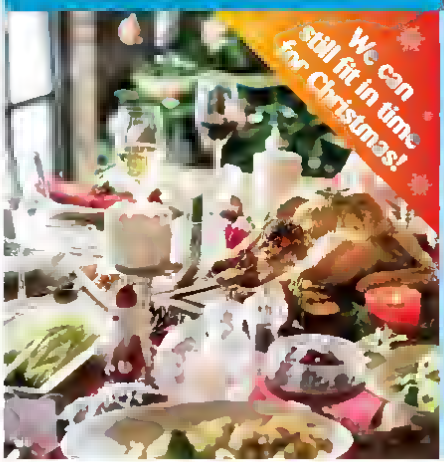

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Now's the perfect time to replace your garden fence once and for all. Anna Ryder Richardson - Designer and Television Presenter - takes a closer look at Colourfence, the revolutionary low-maintenance system

It's been ten years since I regularly graced TV screens helping transform people's living spaces with MDF and stripped floorboards. Recently it's been more "celebrity mock out" than celebrity make-over as I took up the challenge of owning my own Wildlife Zoo in Derby. In this time I've learnt quite a lot about fences and having researched the various options for my own benefit I thought I would share my knowledge with a wider audience.

The latest design processes mean there is now a tremendous array of fencing products for you to choose from...constructed from a variety of materials. Each has its own attributes and ultimately it can often come down to a matter of personal preference. For me there was one magic system that stood out as providing the best balance between price and functionality which eradicates fencing problems for good. Or for at least 25 years. Colourfence. For quality, value, longevity, aesthetic design, this fencing system ticks all the boxes. Fencing made for the 21st century that will transform the look of your garden which is supplied and fitted by a company whose customer service is as good as the product.

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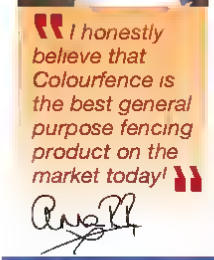

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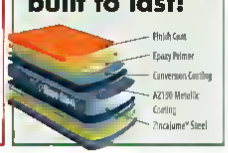

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COLOUR FENCE

Good Krief, singer to play Oxford

By Samantha McGregor

SINGER-SONGWRITER Knef – a former member of renowned Montreal band The Dears – is heading to Oxford this month.

Patrick Krief, who has opened gigs for Keane and Morrissey and appeared on the Jonathan Ross Show and David Lettermans show will play The Wheatsheaf, Oxford on November 21.

His tour comes as he releases his solo album Automanic, which deals with Knef's personal grief over the loss of family members.

He said: "Automanic was an album that helped me escape a terrible era.

"Every song was its own individual therapy session in which I confronted myself and urged myself to get rid of all the people and habits that were toxic in my life.

"I wanted the album to have a nice dense linear arrangement to it. It took months of mixing and remixing the album to finally achieve what I was hearing in my mind.

"Automanic is a double LP separated into two chapters. Red and Blue. Red being the more aggressive, forward and assertive chapter while Blue is introspective and dreamy.

"The album was written during a period of turmoil in my life and I like to see it as an ultimate story of survival and triumph."

Ahead of his Oxford gig, Knef spoke to us about his music, career highs and visiting the city.

Describing his music as "pop music from another era. Synth infused, orchestral at times, eclectic, but mostly rock n roll" he said he was looking forward to playing in the city again, having previously performed at the Zodiac.

Asked about opening gigs for Keane and Morrissey, he said: "It's always a humbling, slightly terrifying experience to open for a huge name in an arena or other massive venue.

"Playing that type of stage is a performance art of its own. There is no greater honour than being asked to open for such bands.

"It's also quite inspiring to experience their performances from side stage."

For Knef, one of his most memorable career moments was playing on the David Letterman Show. Knef said: "I grew up watching that show with my brother, almost religiously.

"I always told myself I would be a guest on it some-day. I spent many nights visualizing that moment.

"Of course, when it finally came to fruition, I was outside myself and extremely nervous.

"Luckily we got to play the show twice, cause I hardly remember the first time."

Luckily for his Oxford audience, though, there won't be any nerves. Knef said: "We will be performing as a semi-acoustic duo.

"It'll be intimate and likely peppered with comical banter."

For more information go to knef.ca

Fairport's 50 years on TV

A NEW television documentary will be broadcast this month to celebrate the legendary folk-rock band Fairport Convention.

The 70-minute Sky Arts film celebrates the 50th anniversary of the life and works of the group and will be aired on November 25 at 9pm.

It tells how five young musicians in North London formed Fairport Convention during 1967's summer of love, and went on to shake English folk music to its roots by fusing it with rock.

The film features rare archive interviews and footage as well as newly-filmed interviews with current Fairport members and is brought up to date with images filmed at Fairport's 2017 annual music festival at Cropredy.

The documentary has been made by London-based independent producer Special Treats Productions.

Producer/director Charlie Thomas has been working closely with Fairport for over a year. He says: "Our aim is to explain how important Fairport's influence has been and continues to be – in other words, why the band matters. We have not set out to make a comprehensive, year-by-year history of Fairport, that has been done before. The film concentrates on two periods – the first five years and the band today.

"The result is a celebration of a very British institution and an assertion of Fairport's continuing relevance."

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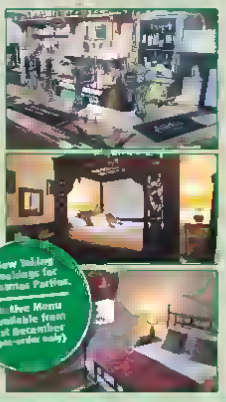

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Broadcasting a unique message

By Samantha McGregor

TICKETS have gone on sale for Public Service Broadcasting's spring tour which kicks off in Oxford.

Following the release of the trio's critically-acclaimed album Every Valley and a sell-out European tour, new UK dates for 2018 have been announced.

The band open the tour at the New Theatre Oxford on Thursday, April 5.

The London based group of J Willgoose Esq. on guitar, banjo, other stringed instruments, Wigglesworth on drums, piano and electronic musical instruments, and J F Abraham on flugelhorn, bass guitar, drums and assorted other instruments, including a vibraslap.

Their live shows have been described as "a singular, spellbinding audio visual show" and "a tour de force", and the new tour promises not to disappoint.

Public Service Broadcasting say it aims with its gigs is "to fashion a narrative for the dispossessed voices of our history, taking us from the blackest deeps of the Welsh coal mines through the farthest reaches of space in one bound."

And fans have come to expect as much. That's why "resident set design guru and all-round visual mastermind" Mr. B has teamed up with the trio once again to "blow these expectations clean out of the water with another set of heart-stopping blockbuster set-pieces" with amazing visuals.

Their last album was recorded in the former industrial town of Ebbw Vale, and chronicles the rise and devastating fall of the Welsh mining industry. It reached number four in the UK charts.

J. Willgoose Esq. said although the album's story was localised, he believes it can be "applicable to industries all over the western world and possibly beyond. In the way that the Industrial Revolution generated these communities that were so dependent on one particular industry and what happens to that community when you remove that industry from it, and where that leaves us now."

For tickets drop into the New Theatre box office in George Street, call 0844 871 3020 or go to atgtickets.com/oxford.

Schools stage Shakespeare in drama fest

STUDENTS from Oxfordshire will take part in the world's largest Shakespeare drama festival.

Nationally about 30,000 pupils will participate from more than 1,000 schools performing one of Shakespeare's plays in their communities.

Run by the Shakespeare Schools Foundation, the Oxfordshire festival will involve Hornton Primary School, Sibford School and Henley in Arden School, who will perform Romeo and Juliet, A Midsomer Night's Dream and As You Like It, respectively.

The pupils have been in rehearsals for months and the plays will be staged at The Mill Arts Centre, Banbury, on November 23, from 7pm.

Children are not just in acting roles but also take on behind the scenes jobs as well such as lighting.

The cultural education charity said the experience can give young people confidence and self-esteem to "last a lifetime".

Chief Executive Ruth Brock said: "Every workplace needs people who are confident and can work as a team and every community needs people who can get on with other people of very different backgrounds. Taking part in the festival teaches these things and, crucially, it helps young people make friends and have fun."

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Sofia, Sales Assistant

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Competition

WIN tickets to Christmas at Blenheim!

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas when the trees, Great Lake and waterfalls of Blenheim Palace are playfully lit and all aglow and we're offering you the chance to win a family ticket for two adults and two children to the Opening Night of Christmas at Blenheim on Friday 24 November 2017.

The new 2017 Christmas at Blenheim trail is a winter wonderland, inspired by the landscape itself. Wander beneath unique tree canopies drenched in seasonal colour dripping with shards of light larger than-life snowflakes and baubles.

Follow the path down towards Santa's Christmas Workshop, through the twinkling tunnel and between sparkling hedges towards the Great Lake, where hundreds of brightly coloured boats ebb and flow. In the distance, flaming plumes flicker as the mesmerising Cascade of Fire springs to life in time to much-loved Christmas classics.

As you walk back towards the Palace wander among Singing Trees rising high into the night sky and onto Mistletoe Moment festooned by a canopy of over 100 000 pea lights – don't forget to watch out for Santa and his Elves along the way.

Why not complete your treat under the stars with spiced cider, mulled wine or hot chocolate whilst the aroma of roasting chestnuts fills the air? Gather to toast your own marshmallows at one of the fire pits or ride the vintage Carousel.

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blenheimpalace.com/christmas. Or call 08710 204 029**
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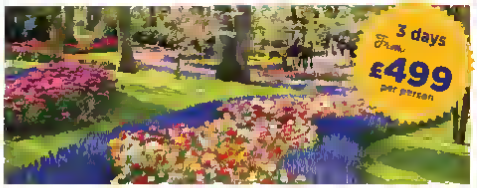

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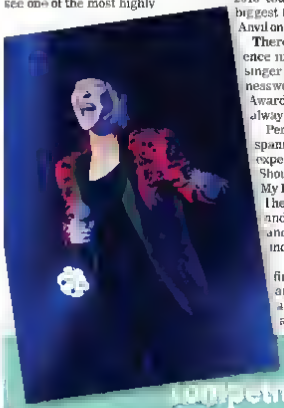

acclaimed singers that this country has produced – Lulu!

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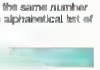


Quiz Challenge

1. **What R is an aggressive wild elephant which has been separated from the rest of the herd?**
2. **What kind of fruit is a honeydew?**
3. **In American music terminology, it is a sixteenth note. What do we call it?**
4. **Which boxer did Paul Newman play in the 1956 film Somebody Up There Likes Me?**
5. **Which BBC TV series that began in 1997, was originally presented by Alan Titchmarsh, Charlie Dimmock and Tommy Walsh?**
6. **Which newspaper's last front page headline was 'Thank You And Goodbye'?**
7. **On which Cat Stevens album, released in 1971, would you find the songs Morning Has Broken and Moonshadow?**
8. **Who wrote a gardening column in Private Eye magazine under the name Rose Blight?**
9. **Which shipping forecast area lies between Lundy and Malin?**
10. **What L word, 13 letters long, is defined as showing a lack of interest or enthusiasm?**

NONAGRAM

A	I	M
E	L	I
H	U	T

How many words of four letters or more can you make from this Nonagram? Each word must use the central letter and each letter may be used only once. At least one word using all nine letters can be found.

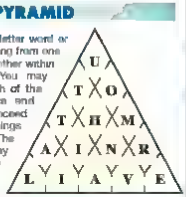
Guidelines:

29 Good, 34 Very Good, 39 Excellent.

Any word found in first Concise Oxford Dictionary (Tenth Edition) is eligible with the following exceptions: proper nouns; plural nouns, pronouns and possessives; third person singular verbs; hyphenated and/or contractions, and abbreviations; vulgar slang words; wanted spellings of first letters found (others are fine words) is also eligible).

WORD PYRAMID

Spell out a 15-letter word or phrase by moving from one chamber to another within the pyramid. You may only enter each of the chambers once and may only proceed through openings in the walls. The first letter may appear in any chamber



FIVE ALIVE

JW	AI	NL	TK	SZ
UA		EU		TE
SM	IO	RN	KS	SE
BT		SD		TW
OE	SV	ES	NA	YS

Here are two miniature five-square crosswords using the same grid – but the letters have been mixed up. You have to work out which letters belong to which crossword.

SUDOKU

Easy Each row and each column must contain the numbers 1 to 9 and so must each 3 x 3 box. **Hard**

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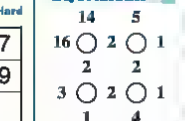
EQUALISER



Place the four signs (and subtract, multiply, divide) one in each circle so that the total of each across and down line is the same. Perform the first calculation in each line first and ignore the mathematical law which says you should always perform division and multiplication before addition and subtraction.

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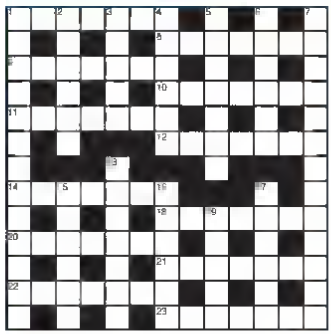
CRYPTIC CROSSWORD



ACROSS

1 Angry at credit notes for hair first (7)
6 Friend has more variety in Sicily (7)
9 Love to be in credit for a whole month (7)
10 Against having showed off after work (7)
11 Playing a tune on the rear part of car (7)
12 Article on more complex principle (7)
14 Those involved in this sport must take a bow (7)
19 In pyjamas...say Edward was tested (7)
20 Ran hand upset across the vessel (7)
21 Everyday unnamed variety (7)
22 Young reporter removed line from small compartment (7)
23 Missing new clarinet performing concert (7)

DOWN

1 A flat track net arranged for head-on charge (7,6)
2 Reprimanding member of the crew (6)
3 Spaniard doesn't start the card game (5)
4 Start to grow a vegetable (6)
5 Deliriously pleased to have passed (7)
6 It will not be weird when written with assurance (6)
7 Accommodation in prison pronounced unfit? (9,4)
13 Feeling swell in the main? (7)
15 Bad-tempered crustacean at hand (6)
16 Talk incessantly about Myra and me (6)
17 Some nasty ranting appraiser (6)
18 Room created by technically advanced hedgehog (5)

QUICK CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1 Cancelt (6)
4 Candlmant (8)
8 Rue (8)
10 Jewelled headband (6)
11 White salt (5)
12 Lower (6)
14 British steak (8)
16 Simple (4)
17 Genuine (4)
19 Nuisance (4)
22 Honey drink (4)
26 Complete failure (8)
27 From side to side (6)
28 Northern Ireland town (5)
29 Greeting (6)
30 Halogen element (8)
31 Worthless (6)
32 Coming (6)

DOWN

1 Italian city (6)
2 Deny (6)
3 Ancient Greek city (6)
5 Flamenty for all fits (6)
6 Light car (6)
7 Far removed (6)
8 Conservative (4)
15 Silly (4)
13 Hell (5)
15 Of the moon (5)
16 Counteract (8)
18 Rice dish (8)
20 Whisky (6)
21 Large hook (4)
22 Wise men (4)
23 Resounded (6)
24 Submissive (6)
26 Going up (6)

SOLUTIONS

QUIZ CHALLENGE: 1 Rogue 2 Melon 3 Semi-quaver 4 Rocky Graziano 5 Ground Force 6 Mirror 7 Tuesday and the Firemen 8 Gemstone Cave 9 Fair Isle 10 Lackadaisical

CRYPTIC CROSSWORD:
ACROSS: 1 Frenzied debate 6 Ragtime 9 Overdue 10 Dynamite 11 Guitarist 12 Complication 14 Cricketers 19 Tested 20 Vessel 21 Ordinary 22 Reporter 23 Clarinet
DOWN: 1 Fancy-dress ball 2 Officer 3 Ace 4 Potato 5 Elated 6 Readable 7 Prison governor 8 Unfit 13 Sailing 15 Crabby 16 Gossip 17 Critique 18 Igloo

QUICK CROSSWORD:
ACROSS: 1 Cancel (6) 4 Candlmant (8) 8 Rue (8) 10 Jewelled headband (6) 11 White salt (5) 12 Lower (6) 14 British steak (8) 16 Simple (4) 17 Genuine (4) 19 Nuisance (4) 22 Honey drink (4) 26 Complete failure (8) 27 From side to side (6) 28 Northern Ireland town (5) 29 Greeting (6) 30 Halogen element (8) 31 Worthless (6) 32 Coming (6)
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DAYTIME

10 00 Homes Under the Hammer (S) (R) **11 00 Getting the Builders In** (S) **11 45 Fugitives** (S) **12 15 Bargain Hunt** (S) **1.00 BBC News at One; Weather** (S) **1 30 BBC Regional News and Weather** (S) **1.45 Doctors** (S) **2 15 Impossible** (S)(R) **3 00 Escape to the Country** (S)(R) **3 45 Royal Recipes** (S) **4.30 Flog It!** (S) **5 15 Pointless** (S)(P) **6.00 BBC News at Six; Weather** (S) **6.30 BBC Regional News** (S)

7 **7 00 The One Show: Children in Need Special** Alex Jones and Greg James host the final edition of the week (S)
7 30 Children in Need 2017 Hosted by Tess Daly, Ade Adepitan, Graham Norton and Mel Giedroyc. (S)

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10 **10 00 RBC News at Ten** (S)
10 25 RBC Regional News and Weather (S) National Lottery Update (S)
10 40 Children in Need 2017 Hosted by Marvin and Rochelle Humes.

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AFTER 12 **12 30 DIY SOS: The Million Pound Build for Children in Need** (S)(R) **1 30** Children in Need Rocks the 90s (S)(P) **3 00 Weather** for the Week Ahead (S) **3.05** BBC News (S)

BBC2

6 30 The Housing Enforcers (S)(R) **7 10 Getting the Builders In** (S)(R) **8.00 Sign Zone: Gardeners' World** (S) (R) **9.00 Victoria Derbyshire** (S) **11.00 BBC Newsroom Live** (S) **12.00 Daily Politics** (S) **1 00 Rugby League World Cup** (S) **2 00 Live Tennis. ATP World Tour Finals** (S) **6.45 Kenneth Williams: Talking Comedy** (S)(R) **5 15 Bruce Forsyth** (S)(R) **6.00 Strictly Come Dancing – It Takes Two** (S)

7 **7 00 Celebrity Antiques Road Trip** Tina Hobley and Sharon Maughan scour the Cotswolds for antiques to sell at auction (S)

8 **8.00 Masterminds Specialist** subjects include Roman coinage and Harold Wilson (S)
8.30 Only Connect The Wanderers and Inquisitors return (S)

9 **9.00 Extreme Wives with Kate Humble** In Jerusalem, Kate accesses the intensely private ultra-orthodox Haredim. (S)

10 **10 00 Weakest Link Celebrity Special for Children in Need** Anne Robinson hosts a charity edition of the quiz. (S)
10 40 Newsnight (S)

11 **11 10 Weather** (S)
11 10 Snowfall Teddy is given once last chance to put things right. (S)(R)

AFTER 12 **12 00 Sign Zone: Student Loan Scandal – Panorama** (S)(R) **12 30** Louis Theroux: Talking to Anorexia (S) (R) **1 30 Army: Behind the New Frontlines** (S)(R) **2 30 This Is BBC Two**

ITV

6 00 Good Morning Britain (S) **6.30 Lorraine** (S) **9.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show** (S) **10 30 This Morning** (S) **12.30 Loose Women** (S) **1.30 ITV Lunchtime News; Weather** (S) **1 55 ITV Regional News; Weather** (S) **2.00 Dickinson's Real Deal** (S)(R) **3.00 Tenable** (S) **3.59 ITV Regional Weather** (S) **4.00 Tipping Point** (S)(R) **5 00 The Chase** (S) **6 00 ITV Regional News** (S) **6.30 ITV News; Weather** (S)

7 **7.00 Emmerdale** Cain reflects on his childhood. (S)
7.30 Coronation Street Rana spends her wedding day thinking of Kate. (S)

8 **8.00 Australian Wilderness with Ray Mears** The adventurer explores the Dampier Peninsula. (S)
8.30 Coronation Street (S)

9 **9.00 Gone to Pot: American Road Trip** The celebrities explore a legalised marijuana farm in Colorado. Last in the series. (S)

10 **10.00 ITV News; Weather** (S)
10.30 ITV Regional News; Weather (S)
10.40 FILM: The Chronicles of Riddick (2004) (15) Sci-fi adventure sequel with Vin Diesel. (S)

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AFTER 12 **12.45 Jackpot247 3.00** Storage Hoarders (S)(R) **4.00** ITV Nightscreen **5.05 The Jeremy Kyle Show** (S)(R)

Channel 4

9.00 Fiasier (S)(P) **10.05 Ramsay's Hotel Hell** (S)(R) **11.00 Undercover Boss USA** (S)(P) **12.00 Channel 4 News** (S) **12.08 Come Dine with Me** (S)(P) **1.05 My Kitchen Rules** (S) **2.10 Countdown** (S) **3.00 A Place in the Sun: Summer Sun** (S)(P) **4.00 Coast vs Country** (S) **5.00 Four in a Bed** (S) **5.30 Steph and Dom's One Star to Five Star** (S) **6.00 The Simpsons** (S)(R) **6.30 Nellyoaks** (S)

7 **7.00 Channel 4 News** (S)
7.30 Unreported World The treatment of young prisoners in Australia. Last in the series. (S)

8 **8.00 Food Unwrapped: Supermarket Special** The reasons prices seem to be rising so quickly in the shops. (S)

9 **9.00 Gogglebox** The households' opinions on recent TV. (S)

10 **10.00 The Last Leg** Comic review of the significant moments of the past seven days. (S)

11 **11.00 First Dates** A receptionist sits down for a meal with a chef. (R)

AFTER 12 **12 10 The Simpsons** (S)(R) **12 40** The Simpsons (S)(R) **1.00 FILM: Your Highness (2011) (15)** (S) **2 50 Humans** (S)(R) **3 45 Man Down** (S)(R) **4 10 Location, Location, Location** (S)(P) **5.10 Kirstie's Fill Your House for Free** (S)(P) **5 20 Draw It!** (S)(P)

Channel 5

6.00 Milkshake! 9.15 The Wright Stuff 11.15 GPs: Behind Closed Doors (S)(R) **12 10 5 News Lunchtime** (S) **12 15 Jo Frost's Cats & Kittens** (S)(P) **1 10 Access** (S) **1.15 Home and Away** (S) **1.45 Neighbours** (S) **2.15 NCIS** (S)(R) **3.10 FILM: Crazy for Christmas (2009)** (PG) (S) **5.00 5 News at 5** (S) **5 30 Neighbours** (S)(P) **6.00 Home and Away** (S)(R) **6.30 5 News Tonight** (S)

7 **7.00 The Gadget Show** The presenters take a road trip from Birmingham to Weston-super-Mare. (S) 5 News Update (S)

8 **8.00 The World's Greatest Bridges** New York's Brooklyn Bridge. (S) 5 News Update (S)

9 **9.00 Eight Days That Made Rome: Pompey's First Emperor** Octavian's theft of Mark Antony's will. (S)

10 **10 00 Bog Bodies: Secrets Revealed** Scientists unearth the secrets behind a 2,000-year-old murder mystery. (S)

11 **11 05 Hitler's Death: A Secret Conspiracy** The fate of the Nazi leader. (S)(R)

AFTER 12 **12.00 SuperCasino** (S) **3 10** When Calls the Heart (S) **4.30 Access** (S) **4.45 House Doctor** (S)(R) **5 10 Love Your Garden: Designs** (S)(R) **5.35 Wildlife SOS** (S)(R)

DIGITAL

ITV2 SKY 118 FV 6

8.00 The Cube **8.40** Totally Bonkers Gloriously World Records **9 10** Dinner Date **9 00** Emmerdale **9 30** Planet's Got Talent **5.30** The Ellen DeGeneres Show **10.20** Dinner Date **11.20** Dress to Impress **11.20** Emmerdale **1.20** Planet's Got Talent **1.50** The Ellen DeGeneres Show **2.45** The Jeremy Kyle Show **8.00** You've Been Framed! Gold **7.00** You've Been Framed! and Famous! **8.00** Two and a Half Men **3.00** Family Guy **11.00** American Dad **12.00** Ghosted **12.30** The Keith Lemon Sketch Show: Best Of **1.00** Pleb **2.05** Totally Bonkers Gumness World Records **2.30** Teleshopping

ITV3 SKY 119 FV 10

8.00 On the Buses **8.25** Classic Corontian Street **7.15** Heartbeat **8.15** Wild at Heart **5.20** Judge Judy **10 35** A Touch of Frost **12.40** Wild at Heart **1.00** Heartbeat **2.00** Classic Coronation Street **3.45** A Touch of Frost **8 00** Heartbeat **7.00** Murder, She Wrote **8.00** Midsomer Murders **10.00** Endeavour **12.00** Mr Selfridge **1.00** FILM: Chicago (2002) (12) **2.10** ITV Daily **2 10** FILM: Chicago (2002) (12) Concluded **5.05** A Touch of Frost **4.50** Judge Judy **5.30** ITV3 Nightscreen

BBC4 SKY 116 FV 9

7 00 World News Today: Weather **7 30** The Good Old Days **8.30** Top of the Pops: 1984 **5.00** Top of the Pops 1978: Big Hits **10.00** Gregory Porter's Popular Voices **11.00** Showstoppers at the BBC **12.00** Van Morrison Live at Eden **11.55** Top of the Pops: 1984 **1.30** Top of the Pops 1976: Big Hits **2.30** Gregory Porter's Popular Voices **3.30** Clone

E4 SKY 136 FV 22

9 00 Hollyoaks **7.00** Channel **5.00** Rules of Engagement **10 00** Black-Ish **11.00** How I Met You Mother **12.00** New Girl **1.00** The Big Bang Theory **2.00** The Goldbergs **3.00** How I Met You Mother **4.00** New Girl **5 00** The Goldbergs **6.00** The Big Bang Theory **7 00** Hollyoaks **7.30** Streetmate **8.00** The Big Bang Theory **9.00** FILM: The Ronnie Legacy (2012) (12) Spy thrillers sequel starring Jeremy Renner **11.40** The Big Bang Theory **11.40** Tattoo Fixers **1.50** Rude Tube **2.45** First Dates **3 40** Rude Tube **4.05** Black-Ish **4.80** Channel

MORE4 SKY 132 FV 14

8.55 A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun **10.00** Fons in a Bed **12.45** A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun **2.50** Come Dine with Me **3.50** Time Team **6.55** The Secret Life of the Zoo **6.55** The Supervet **7 50** FILM: Robin Hood (2010) (12) Medieval adventure starring Russell Crowe. **10.40** 24 Hours in A&E **11.40** Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA **12.40** Ramsay's Hotel Hell **1.35** 24 Hours in A&E **2.45** 8 Out of 10 Cats: Best Bits **3.30** Close

FILM4 SKY 315 FV 15

11.00 Comanche Station (1960) (PG) **12.30** Mrs Pollifax – Spy (1971) (PG) **2.40** The Man from the Alamo (1953) (U) **4.20** The Charge of the Light Brigade (1968) (PG) Historical drama, starring David Hemmings. **6.55** Tomorrow, When the War Began (2010) (12) **8.00** Super 8 (2011) (12) Sci-fi thriller, starring Joel Courtney **11.15** Shut In (2016) (15) Horror thriller, starring Beth Riesgraf. **1.00** Hellboy (2004) (12) **3.25** Close

DAVE SKY 111 FV 12

6.00 Home Shopping **7 10** Scrapheap Challenge **8.10** American Pickers **8.00** Storage Hunters **10 00** American Pickers **12.00** Don't Say It, Bring It **1.00** Top Gear **3.00** Sam City Moto **4.00** Deadly 60 on a Mission **8.00** Top Gear **7.00** Don't Say It, Bring It **8.00** Cops UK: Bodycam Squad **9 00** Ol' Christmas Nose **10 00** Ol' **10.40** Mock the Week **11.00** Room 101 **12.00** Mock the Week **1.20** Ol' **2 00** Mock the Week **2.40** 8 Out of 10 Cats **3.10** Sirius **4.00** Home Shopping

DRAMA SKY 153a FV 20

7.10 The Bill **8.00** London's Burning **9.00** Casualty **10.00** Hetty Wainthrop Investigates **11.00** The Bill **1.00** Last of the Summer Wine **1.40** A Fine Romance **2.20** Birds of a Feather **3 00** London's Burning **4.00** Pie in the Sky **9.00** Hetty Wainthrop Investigates **6.00** A Fine Romance **6.40** Last of the Summer Wine **7.20** As Time Goes By **8.00** The Brokenwood Mysteries **10.00** New Tricks **11.20** Birds of a Feather **12 00** The Bill **1.00** London's Burning **2.00** In Deep **4.00** Home Shopping

SKY1 SKY 106

6.00 Monkey Life **7.00** Zen Tales **8 00** Mark Monsters with David Attenborough **8.30** Send in the Dogs: Australia **9.00** The Dog Whisperer **10 00** Attenborough at 90: Behind the Lens **11.00** Modern Family **12.00** NCIS: Los Angeles **1.00** Hawaii Five-0 **3.00** NCIS: Los Angeles **4.00** Stargate SG-1 **5.00** The Simpsons **5.30** Futurama **6.30** The Simpsons **8.30** Modern Family **9.00** Karl Pilkington: The Meaning of Life **10.00** A League of Their Own **11.00** The Simpsons **12.00** A League of Their Own **1.00** The Force: North East **2.00** Ross Kemp: Extreme World **3 00** First Cops: Women on Crime **4.00** Stargate: Search: Seize **6.00** The Dog Whisperer

SKY ATLANTIC SKY 108

6.00 Storm City **7.00** The British **8.00** Fish Town **9.00** The West Wing **11.00** House **1.00** What's Trace **2.00** Blue Bloods **3.00** The West Wing **5.00** House **7.00** CSI: Crime Scene Investigation **8.00** Blue Bloods **9.00** Game of Thrones **11.10** FILM: The Enemy Within (1994) (15) **1.55** Californication **3.25** CSI: Crime Scene Investigation **4.05** The West Wing

W SKY 109

6.10 Wanted Down Under **8.00** Extreme Makeover: Home Edition **10.00** The Fall **11 00** Tipping Point **1.00** MasterChef USA **3.00** Extreme Makeover: Home Edition **4.00** The Secrets in My Family **5.00** Tipping Point **7 00** Dr Christian Will See You Now **8.00** Inside the Ambulance **9.00** KKK: The Fight for White Supremacy **10.20** Absolutely Fabulous **11.00** EastEnders **11.40** One Born Every Minute **12.40** Wanted Down Under **2.20** Life Is Toff **3.00** Home Shopping

GOLD SKY 110

7.10 Sorry! **7.45** Yes, Prime Minister **8.20** The Thin Blue Line **9.00** Even Decreasing Circles **9.40** Sorry! **10.20** Best of the Summer Wine **12.20** As Time Goes By **1.00** Keeping Up Appearances **1.35** Even Decreasing Circles **2.20** The Thin Blue Line **3 00** The Good Life **3.40** Porridge **4.20** Last of the Summer Wine **8.20** Keeping Up Appearances **T 00** Porridge **7.40** The Good Life **8.20** Blackadder's Christmas Carol **9.00** The Rebel **10.00** Live at the Apollo **11.00** Not Going Out **11.40** The Mighty Boosh **1.00** Inside No 9 **2.00** Live at the Apollo **2.30** The Mighty Boosh **4.00** Home Shopping

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8 00 Live Test Cricket. **11.15** Live European Tour Golf. **1.00** Live Tennis. ATP World Tour Finals. **4.00** Live: CSA T20 Challenge. Coverage of a match from South Africa's domestic competition. **7.30** Live EFL: Preston North End v Walton Wanderers (k-o/off 7.45pm) **10.00** The Debate **11.00** Sky Sports News **4.00** Live Test Cricket.

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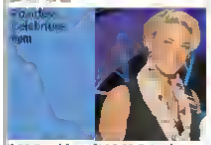


6.00 Breakfast (S) 10.00 Saturday Kitchen Live (S) 11.30 Nigella: At My Table (S)(R) 12.00 Football Focus (S) 1.00 BBC News: Weather (S) 1.15 Rugby League World Cup (S) 2.00 Live International Rugby Union (S) 4.30 Final Score (S) 5.10 Len Goodman's Partners in Rhyme (S) 5.40 BBC News (S) 5.50 BBC Regional News (S) 6.00 Pointless Celebrities (S) 6.45 Strictly Come Dancing (S)

7.30 International Rugby Union England v Australia. (S)

8.10 Michael McIntyre's Big Show New series. The comedian's family entertainment show returns. (S)

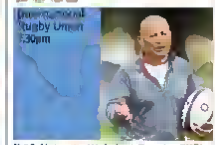
9.10 Casualty Robyn is dumbfounded when she is reunited with Glen – her terminally ill ex fiance. (S)

10.00 BBC News: Weather. (S) National Lotteries Update (S)
10.20 Match of the Day Including highlights of Leicester City v Manchester City. (S)

11.50 The NFL Show Including highlights of Thursday night's game. (S)

12.20 FILM Man on the Moon (1999) (15) Biopic starring Jim Carrey. (S)
2.10 Weather for the Week Ahead (S)
2.15 BBC News (S)

BBC2



7.00 Nature's Weirdest Events (S)(R)
7.30 Naomi's Nightmares of Nature (S) 8.00 Deadly 60 (S)(R) 8.30 Show Me What You're Made Of (S) 9.00 Saturday Mash-Up! (S) 11.00 Natural World: Tiger Dynasty (S)(R) 12.00 Rick Stein's Long Weekends (S)(R) 1.00 Bully Unpacked (S)(R) 2.00 Live Tennis: ATP World Tour Finals (S) 4.30 Mastermind (S)(R) 5.00 Live International Rugby Union (S)

7.15 Ninja Warrior UK The fourth heat of the obstacle-course challenge gets under way. (S)(R)

8.30 Dad's Army Jones buys black market pigeons. (S)(R)

9.00 My Country: A Work in Progress (S)
9.55 QI XL Extended edition of Sandi Toksvig's debut as host. (S)

10.40 David Gilmour: Live at Pompeii Highlights of the guitarist's solo concerts from July 2016. (S)

11.40 FILM Spike Island (2012) (15) Drama starring Elliott Tittensor and Nico Mirallegro. (S)

1.20 FILM Badlands (1973) (15) Crime drama starring Martin Sheen and Sissy Spacek. (S) 2.50 This is BBC Two (S) 4.30 Live Rugby League World Cup: The fourth quarter-final kick off 5.00am. (S)

ITV

11.20 Gino's Italian Coastal Escape (S)(R) 11.50 ITV News: Weather (S) 11.55 The X Factor Live (S)(R) 1.30 ITV Racing: Live from Cheltenham (S) 4.00 Thunderbirds Are Go (S)(R) 4.30 The Hatheuse (S)(R) 5.00 The Cruise (S)(R) 5.30 Paul O'Grady: For the Love of Dogs (S)(R) 6.00 ITV Regional News: Weather (S) 6.05 ITV News (S) 6.15 Catchphrase (S)(R) 6.50 New You've Been Framed! (S)

7.00 Volatile Earth: Killer Hurricanes A look at the impact of the Great Hurricane of 1780. Last in the series. (S)

8.00 First Humans: The Cave Discovery The discovery of remains from an unknown species of human ancestors. (S)(R)

9.00 FILM Lucy (2014) (15) Sci-fi thriller, with Scarlett Johanssen and Morgan Freeman. (S)

10.45 FILM 8 LPD (2013) (12) A cop killed in the line of duty is recruited by a ghostly police force assigned to battle evil spirits. Fantasy adventure, starring Ryan Reynolds. (S)

Channel 4

6.10 Triathlon: Challenge Aruba (S)
5.40 Everybody Loves Raymond (S)(R) 7.30 Fixsies (S)(R) 8.25 The Big Bang Theory (S) 9.25 The Simpsons (S)(R) 11.50 Come Dine with Me (S)(R) 2.30 A Place in the Sun: Home or Away (S)(R) 4.30 Best Laid Plans A couple disagree over key design decisions while extending their villa in Last Snaxes. (S) 5.35 Grand Designs (S)(R) 6.30 Channel 4 News (S)

7.00 Can't Pay? We'll Take It Away (S)(R)
7.55 Can't Pay? We'll Take It Away (S)(R)

8.55 5 News Weekend (S)

9.00 Football on 5: The Championship Highlights from the weekend's games in the Championship. (S)
9.55 Football on 5: Goal Bash Goals from the weekend's games. (S)

10.25 NCIS: New Orleans A private plane crashes in a bayou. (S)

11.20 NCIS: New Orleans A Navy Seal candidate is killed weeks before his graduation. (S)

Channel 5

11.30 Access (S) 11.35 FILM Christmas Truce (2015) (PG) (S) 1.20 FILM Deck the Halls (2006) (PG) (S) 3.05 FILM A Belle for Christmas (2014) (PG) (S) 4.05 5 News Update (S) 4.10 FILM A Belle for Christmas (2014) (PG) Concluded. (S) 5.00 FILM Christmas in Homestead (2015) (PG) (S) 6.00 5 News Update (S) 6.05 FILM Christmas in Homestead (2016) (PG) Concluded. (S)

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DIGITAL

ITV2 SKY 118 FV 6

6.00 Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records 8.55 Emmerdale 9.25 Convention Street 12.10 Take Me Out 1.30 You've Been Framed! Gold 2.00 Chas Bernstein's 2nd (1993) (U) Comedy sequel starring Charles Grodin. 3.05 FYI Daily 3.05 FILM: Beethoven's 2nd (1993) (U) Concluded. 3.50 FILM: Step Up (2006) (PG) Romantic dance drama, with Channing Tatum and Jenna Dewan. 4.50 FYI Daily 5.00 FILM: Step Up (2006) (PG) Concluded. 5.00 FILM: Jack the Giant Slayer (2013) (12) Fantasy adventure, starring Nicholas Hoult. 7.50 FYI Daily 7.10 FILM: Jack the Giant Slayer (2013) (12) Concluded. 8.10 FILM: Quantum of Solace (2008) (12) James Bond thriller starring Daniel Craig. 9.10 FYI Daily 9.15 FILM: Quantum of Solace (2008) (12) Concluded. 10.25 Celebrity Juice 11.10 Family Guy 1.00 American Dad! 1.55 Release the Hounds 2.50 Teleshopping 5.50 ITV2 Nightscreen

ITV3 SKY 119 FV 10

8.00 Murder She Wrote 7.50 Heidi 9.50 Wycliffe 11.00 FILM: Columbo: The Conspirators (1978) (PG) Detective drama starring Peter Falk. 1.00 Foyle's War 3.00 Midsomer Murders 11.05 The Syndicate 12.10 Foyle's War 2.50 ITV3 Nightscreen 2.30 Teleshopping

BBC4 SKY 116 FV 9

7.00 Natural World 6.00 The Mekong River with Sue Perkins 5.50 I Know Who You Are 12.15 The Vietnam War 1.15 Top of the Pops: 1984 1.50 Natural World 2.50 The Mekong river with Sue Perkins 3.50 Close

E4 SKY 136 FV 26

6.00 Rules of Engagement 6.50 How I Met Your Mother 7.50 Made in Chelsea 9.05 Couples Come Dine with Me 11.50 How I Met Your Mother 12.00 FILM: The Dog Who Saved Christmas (2009) (PG) Festive comedy starring Dean Cain. 1.50 Toy Story Toons: Small Fry 2.00 The Gadgeteers 4.30 The Big Bang Theory 5.00 FILM: The Mechanic (2011) (15) Action thriller remake, starring Jason Statham. 10.50 Gogglebox 12.55 Naked Attraction 2.00 Rude Tube 3.25 Gogglebox 4.20 Rules of Engagement

MORE4 SKY 138 FV 14

6.55 River Cottage Rites 5.25 Real Laid Rhino 10.25 A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun 1.30 Location, Location, Location 2.35 Four in a Bed 5.15 Come Dine with Me 7.50 The Year Britain Froze 8.00 The Queen's Wedding 10.05 Prince Philip: The Key to Making a King 11.00 It Was All Right in the 1970s 12.10 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown 1.10 Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA 3.30 8 Out of 10 Cats Does Jubilee Special 3.00 Close

FILM4 SKY 315 FV 15

11.00 Song of the Sea (2014) (PG) Animated fantasy with the voice of Lucy O'Connell. 1.00 Picture Perfect (1997) (PG) Romantic comedy with Jennifer Aniston and Jay Mohr. 3.05 Just Wright (2010) (PG) Romantic comedy starring Queen Latifah and Common. 5.05 Rio (2011) (U) An animated comedy with the voices of Jesse Eisenberg. 5.50 Dante's Peak (1997) (12) A volcanologist suspects a long-dormant volcano is about to erupt and races to save a nearby town from destruction. Disaster movie, starring Pierce Brosnan and Linda Hamilton. 9.00 Darkman (1990) (18) A scientist is left disfigured by a criminal gang and seeks revenge on those responsible. Thriller, with Liam Neeson and Frances McDormand. 11.00 Storm (1987) (18) Lone survivor Ripley joins a military expedition that encounters hordes of the creatures that would peel out her crew. Sci-fi thriller, sequel with Sigourney Weaver and Michael Biehn. 2.05 Rare Exports: A Christmas Tale (2010) (15) 3.50 Close

DAVE SKY 111 FV 12

6.00 Home Shopping 7.10 Top Gear 8.00 Deadly 60 11.00 Sir Clive Moto's 12.00 Don't Sky It, Bring It 3.50 Top Gear 5.50 Would I Lie to You? 7.50 Not Going Out 8.00 Have I Got a Bit More News for You 10.50 Have I Got a Bit More Old News for You 11.00 Dave Gorman: Modern Life is Goodish 12.00 QI XL 1.00 Alan Davies: As Yet Untitled 2.00 Not Going Out: The Out Takes 2.35 Not Going Out 3.15 Sue's 4.00 Home Shopping

DRAMA SKY 158 FV 20

7.10 Toon 5.00 Pride of the Feather 11.00 Sharpe 1.00 The Duchess of Duke Street 5.50 The Brokenwood Mysteries 7.00 Sue Thomas: FBEye 8.00 Murdoch Mysteries 9.00 The White Princess 11.35 FILM: Lady Chatterley's Lover (2015) (15) DH Lawrence adaptation starring Holliday Grainger. 1.30 Missing 2.00 Beech 4.00 Home Shopping

SKY1 SKY 108

5.00 Wild Things 7.00 Ashley Banjo's Big Town Dance 8.00 Supergirl 9.00 The Flash 10.00 Sinner AM 11.30 Live Premier League: Pre-match build-up to Arsenal v Tottenham Hotspur 12.30 Futurama 2.00 Gillette Soccer Saturday 5.00 Made in Family 7.00 The Simpsons 8.00 A League of Their Own 9.00 Living the Dream 10.00 Bounty Hunters 10.40 The Russell Howard Hour 11.40 A League of Their Own 12.40 Ross Kemp on Gangs 1.50 Army 2.50 DC's Legends of Tomorrow 3.45 PL Greatest Games 4.00 Stargate Atlantis

SKY ATLANTIC SKY 108

6.50 FILM: Dinosaur 13 (2014) (PG) The true story of one of history's greatest dinosaur discoveries. 8.00 CSI: Crime Scene Investigation 3.00 Dave Attenborough's Galapagos 4.00 Making Attenborough's Galapagos 5.00 Without a Trace 9.00 Game of Thrones 12.20 Babylon Berlin 2.20 Real Time with Bill Maher 4.00 Storm City

W SKY 109

8.10 Hellcopter Heroes 7.50 The Bill 12.00 EastEnders 2.30 Traffic Cops 3.00 Tipping Point 5.50 Outnumbered 8.00 John Bishop: In Conversation with Professor Brian Cox 8.00 FILM: Dark Shadows (2012) (12) Fantasy comedy starring Johnny Depp. 11.20 Dave: Beckham: Into the Unknown 12.20 World Down Under 1.20 The Stash 2.15 Life Is Toff 3.50 Home Shopping

GOLD SKY 110

7.10 You, Me & Them 7.45 Rab Monkhouse: Million Joke Man 8.40 The Interviews 9.40 Only Fools and Horses 8.00 Blackadder's Christmas Carol 7.50 Blackadder the Third 11.00 The Fast Show 12.30 The Trip 1.10 Big Train 2.20 The Fast Show 4.50 Home Shopping

SKY SPORTS MAIN EVENT SKY: 401

8.00 Live Test Cricket: India v Sri Lanka. 10.50 Soccer AM 11.30 Live Premier League: Pre-match build-up to Arsenal v Tottenham Hotspur 11.30 Live Premier League: Arsenal v Tottenham Hotspur (kick-off 12.30pm) 2.00 Live International Rugby Union: England v Australia (kick-off 3.00pm) 3.15 Live International Rugby Union: Ireland v Fiji (kick-off 5.30pm) 7.40 Live La Liga Football: Atletico Madrid v Real Madrid (kick-off 7.45pm). 5.45 Live Grand Slam of Darts: Day eight at the Wolverhampton Civic Hall. 11.00 Sky Sports News 4.00 Live Test Cricket: India v Sri Lanka.

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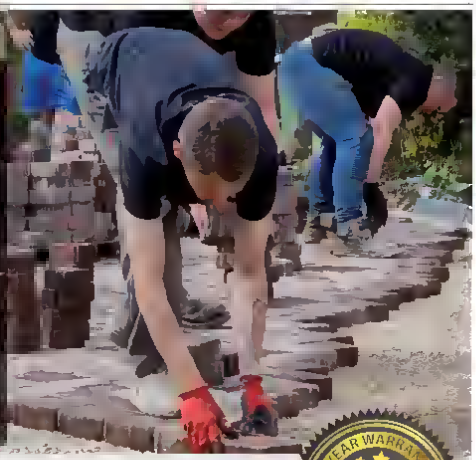

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BBC1

DAYTIME

10.00 BBC Newsroom Line (S) 11.00 Sunday Politics (S) 12.15 Bargain Hunt (S)(R) 1.00 BBC News, Weather (S) 1.15 Homes Under the Hammer (S)(R) 1.45 Money for Nothing (S)(R) 3.30 Escape to the Country (S)(R) 3.00 Songs of Praise (S) 3.35 Children In Need: The Best Bits (S) 4.50 Blue Planet II (S)(R) 5.50 BBC News (S) 6.05 BBC Regional News, Weather (S) 6.15 Countryfile (S)

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7.15 Strictly Come Dancing: The Results Tess Daly and Claudia Winkleman present the results of last night's show (S)

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8.00 Blue Planet II Wildlife that live thousands of kilometres from land (S)

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9.00 Howards End A death is followed by an unusual final request. (S)

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10.00 BBC News (S)
10.20 BBC Regional News, Weather (S)
10.20 Match of the Day 2 Highlights of Watford v West Ham United. (S)

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11.15 Ronny Chieng: International Student (S)
11.45 Michael McIntyre's Big Show The comedian's entertainment show returns. (S)(R)

AFTER 12

12.45 Weather for the Week Ahead (S) 12.50 BBC News (S)

BBC2

7.30 Great British Garden Revival (S)(R) 8.35 Countryfile (S)(R) 9.30 Saturday Kitchen Best Bites (S) 11.00 Food & Drink (S)(R) 11.30 My Life on a Plate (S)(R) 12.15 MOTD2 Extra (S) 1.00 International Rugby Union (S)(R) 2.00 Rugby League World Cup (S) 3.30 Wild Brazil (S)(R) 4.30 Coast (S)(R) 5.00 Flog It! (S)(R) 6.00 Live Tennis: ATP World Tour Finals The final of the singles competition. (S)

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7.30 The X Factor Live The fourth weekend of live shows concludes. (S)

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10.00 Snowfall Franklin must make a dangerous choice. (S)
10.40 Mock the Week Best bits and unseen material from the series. (S)(R)

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11.10 FILM The Lighthouse (2016) (15) Premiere Fact-based thriller starring Mark Lewis Jones and Michael Jibson (S)

AFTER 12

12.50 Sign Zone: Question Time (S) (R) 1.50 Holby City (S)(R) 3.40 This Is BBC Two (S)

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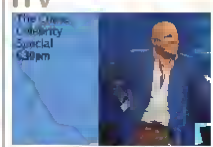

DAYTIME

8.35 ITV News (S) 9.30 Australian Wilderness with Ray Mears (S)(R) 10.00 Restons on Sunday (S) 11.05 FILM Carry On Screaming (1966) (RG) (S) 12.35 ITV News Weather (S) 1.05 The X Factor Live (S)(R) 2.35 Midsomer Murders (S)(4) 4.30 Elton John: The Million Pounds Piano Song (S)(R) 6.05 ITV Regional News, Weather (S) 6.15 ITV News (S) 6.30 The Chase: Celebrity Special (S)

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8.00 Britain's Cycling Superheroes: The Price of Success The controversy surrounding Britain's international cyclists. (S)

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10.45 ITV News, Weather (S)

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11.05 Peston on Sunday Political magazine. (S)(R)

AFTER 12

12.00 Gone to Pot: American Road Trip (S)(R) 12.50 Jackpot247 3.00 Motorsport UK (S) 3.50 ITV Nightscreen 5.05 The Jeremy Kyle Show (S)(R)

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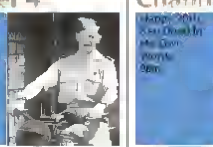

DAYTIME

6.00 Kevin Can Wait (S) 7.10 Everybody Loves Raymond (S)(R) 8.30 Frasier (S)(R) 9.30 Sunday Brunch (S) 11.30 Jamie's Quick & Easy Food (S)(R) 1.00 The Simpsons (S)(R) 3.00 FILM Mr Popper's Penguins (2011) (RG) Family comedy starring Jim Carrey. (S) 4.50 Channel 4 News (S) 5.20 FILM Man in Black II (2012) (PG) Sci-fi comedy sequel starring Will Smith. (S)

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7.00 Messages Home: Lost Films of the British Army Documentary about filmed messages from British soldiers in the Second World War. (S)(R)

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8.00 Guy Martin's WWI Tank The presenter builds a working replica of a First World War tank. (S)

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10.00 Gogglebox The households' opinions on recent TV. (S)(R)

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11.00 FILM Atonement (2007) (15) Romantic period drama, starring Keira Knightley and James McAvoy. (S)

AFTER 12

1.15 The Secret Life of 4 Year Olds (S)(R) 3.10 The Supervet (S)(R) 3.05 Grand Designs Australia (S)(R) 4.00 Gillette World Sport (S) 4.25 KOTV Boxing Weekly (S) 4.55 Mobil 1 The Grid (S)(R) 5.20 Jamie's Comfort Food (S)(R) 5.35 Countdown (S)(R)

Channel 5

DAYTIME

12.40 FILM Chasing Christmas (2005) (PG) (S) 2.20 FILM Santa Who? (2000) (U) (S) 3.25 5 News Update (S) 3.30 FILM Santa Who? (2000) (U) Concluded (S) 4.10 FILM Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl (2003) (12) (S) 5.10 5 News Update (S) 5.15 FILM Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl (2003) (12) Concluded. (S)

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7.00 Christmas Makes You Laugh Out Loud Festive-themed videos that have taken the internet by storm (S)(R)

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8.00 Anniversary Rugby Highlights Highlights from the eighth round of matches. (S)
8.55 5 News Weekend (S)

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9.00 Happy 90th: Ken Dodd In His Own Words Profile of the comedian. (S)(R)

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11.05 Happy 90th: Another Audience with Ken Dodd The frantic funnyman returns. (S)(R)

AFTER 12

12.20 Britain's Best Double Acts (S)(R) 1.15 Supercasino (S) 3.10 GPs Behind Closed Doors (S)(R) 4.00 My Mum's Hotter Than Me! (S)(R) 4.50 Great Artists (S)(R) 5.20 Wild Is SOS (S)(R) 5.45 Chinese Food in Minutes (S)(R)

DIGITAL

ITV2 SKY 118 FV 6

8.00 Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records 6.15 The Cube 7.15 Coronation Street 10.00 24wesome: LA Story 10.30 24wesome: Ready, Set, Style 10.55 24wesome: Third Wheel 11.30 The X Factor: Live 1.00 Take Me Out 2.15 You've Been Framed! Top 100 Animals 3.15 FILM: Happy Feet Two (2011) (U) Animated musical comedy sequel with the voice of Elijah Wood. 4.10 FYI Daily 4.20 FILM: Happy Feet Two (2011) (U) Concluded. 5.20 FILM: Despicable Me (2010) (U) Concluded. 7.10 FILM: Inception (2010) (12) Sci-fi thriller starring Leonardo DiCaprio. 8.10 FYI Daily 9.15 FILM: Inception (2010) (12) Concluded. 10.15 Family Guy 10.40 I'm a Celebrity: Extra Camp 11.40 Family Guy 12.45 American Dad! 1.45 The Keith Lemon Sketch Show 2.15 Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records! 2.30 Teleshopping

ITV3 SKY 119 FV 10

8.00 On the Buses 8.25 Agatha Christie's Marple 8.10 Heartbeat 10.15 Minder: She Wrote 1.20 FILM: Murder on the Orient Express (1974) (PG) Agatha Christie mystery starring Albert Finney. 2.20 FYI Daily 2.25 FILM: Murder on the Orient Express (1974) (PG) Concluded. 3.00 FILM: Columbo: Make Me a Perfect Murder (1378) (PG) Crime drama, starring Peter Falk. 4.00 Wycliffe 7.00 Agatha Christie's Marple 8.00 The Syndicate 10.10 FILM: The Theory of Everything (2014) (12) Biopic of Stephen Hawking, starring Eddie Redmayne. 11.15 FYI Daily 11.20 FILM: The Theory of Everything (2014) (12) Concluded. 11.30 The Knock 2.35 Mr Selfridge 3.25 Wynnfield 5.15 Judge Judy 5.00 ITV3 Nightscreen

BBC4 SKY 116 FV 9

7.00 Only Connect 7.30 University Challenge 8.00 Stanning Soloists at the BBC 9.00 Shaka 10.00 Country Music Awards 2017: Highlights 11.00 Rinkha Ile Countner Than You 12.30 Country at the BBC 1.30 Stunning Soloists at the BBC 2.30 Shark 3.30 Close

E4 SKY 136 FV 28

8.00 Rules of Engagement 6.25 Couples Come Dine with Me 8.25 Hollyoaks 10.00 Made in Chelsea 12.00 Don't Tell the Bride 1.00 FILM: Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel (2009) (U) Comedy starring Zachary Levi. 2.40 Parle(ish) Tube Shorts 3.00 The Geldhegs 4.00 The Big Bang Theory 8.00 FILM: Rise of the Planet of the Apes (2011) (12) Sci-fi thriller starring James Franco. 10.00 Naked Attraction 11.05 The Big Bang Theory 12.05 Gogglebox 1.05 First Dates 2.10 Rude Tube 3.30 Hollyoaks

MORE4 SKY 138 FV 14

8.55 The Secret Life of the Zoo 10.00 Walks with My Dog 11.00 Vet on the Hill 12.05 Come Dine with Me 2.40 Pond Life 3.20 Come Dine with Me 8.00 999: On the Frontline 9.00 24 Hours in A&E 10.00 999: What's Your Emergency? 11.15 8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown 1.15 Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA 2.15 24 Hours in A&E 3.15 8 Out of 10 Cats 3.55 Close

FILM4 SKY 315 FV 15

11.00 Dragonball Evolution (2009) (PG) Fantasy adventure starring Justin Chatwin. 1.00 Thunderbirds (2004) (PG) Sci-fi adventure, starring Bill Paxton. 2.50 When Marnie Was There (2014) (U) Animated drama, with the voice of Hailee Steinfeld. 4.55 Letters to Juliet (2010) (PG) Romantic drama, starring Amanda Seyfried. 7.00 The Cold Light of Day (2012) (15) Thriller, starring Henry Cavill. 8.40 Exodus: Gods and Kings (2014) (12) Biblical epic, starring Christian Bale. 11.00 Legion (2010) (15) Action fantasy, starring Paul Bettany. 1.00 Lovelace (2013) (18) Biopic of adult film star Linda Lovelace, starring Amanda Seyfried. 3.50 Close

DAVE SKY 111 FV 12

8.00 Home Shopping 7.10 Don't Say It: Bring It 7.35 Top Gear: Bonnie Special 10.05 Red Bull Soapbox Race 11.05 Cops UK: Bodycam Squad 1.10 Would I Lie to You? 2.30 Not Going Out 4.15 Top Gear: Bonnie Special 7.00 Jamie's Money Cars of the People 8.00 Cops UK: Bodycam Squad 9.00 Have I Got a Bit More News for You 10.00 Taskmaster 11.00 The Last Man on Earth 12.00 Live at the Apollo 1.00 Have I Got a Bit More News for You 2.00 Taskmaster 2.55 Suits 3.40 The Indestructibles 4.00 Home Shopping

DRAMA SKY 158 FV 20

7.15 The Bill 11.00 New Tricks 12.00 Murdoch Mysteries 1.00 Dickensian 4.00 The White Princess 5.00 New Tricks 8.00 Silent Witness 11.15 Taggart 2.15 Missing 3.30 Garden Hopping 4.00 Home Shopping

SKY1 SKY 106

6.00 Hunt of Power 7.00 Futurama 8.30 The Simpsons 11.00 WWE Raw Hits 12.00 Supergirl 1.00 The Flash 2.00 Dick Quacks Don't Echo 3.30 Modern Family 6.30 The Simpsons 8.00 Marvel's Inhumans 9.00 Strike Back 10.00 The Force: North East 11.00 Ross Kemp on Gangs 1.00 The Russell Howard Hour 2.00 Marvel's Inhumans 3.00 Brit Cops: Law & Disorder 4.00 Stargate Atlantis

SKY ATLANTIC SKY 106

6.00 David Attenborough's Galapagos 9.00 Without a Trace 2.00 Regarding Susan Sontag 4.00 Blue Bloods 9.00 Babylon Berlin 11.00 Real Time with Bill Maher 11.30 Last Week Tonight with John Oliver 11.40 Nine Perfects 1.40 Vice Principals 2.15 Room 104 2.50 The Wire 4.05 Storm City

W SKY 109

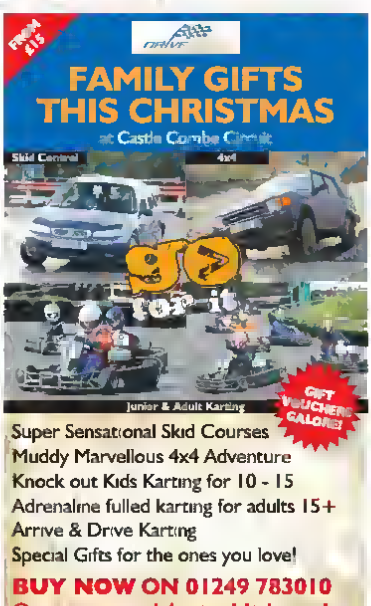
6.00 Judge Rinder 6.25 Helicopter Heroes 7.25 Inside the Ambulance 12.30 Outnumbered 2.30 Doctor Who 7.00 The Secrets in My Family 8.00 Dr Christian Will See You Now 9.00 John Bishop: In Conversation with Professor Brian Cox 10.00 The Mekong River with Sue Perkins 11.00 Inside the Ambulance 12.00 Wentwest Down Under 1.00 The Strain 2.35 Judge Rinder 3.00 Home Shopping

GOLD SKY 110

7.25 You, Me & Them 8.00 Les Dawson: The Interviews 9.00 As Time Goes By 11.00 Only Fools and Horses 6.00 The Story of Only Fools and Horses 7.00 Blankadder Goes Forth 11.00 Little Britain 12.10 Live at the Apollo 1.10 Bridget & Eamon 2.40 Live at the Apollo 3.30 Little Britain 4.00 Home Shopping

SKY SPORTS MAIN EVENT SKY 401

6.00 Live Test Cricket: India v Sri Lanka. 7.30 Live European Tour Golf: The DP World Tour Championship, 12.30 Premier League Highlights 1.00 Live EFL: Leeds United v Middlesbrough (kick-off 1.15pm). 3.30 Live: Nissan Super Sunday: Watford v West Ham United (kick-off 4.00pm). 6.30 Live Grand Slam of Darts: The final at the Wolverhampton Civic Hall. 9.00 Live NFL: A match from the NFL season. 1.00 Live NFL: Dallas Cowboys v Philadelphia Eagles (kick-off 1.30am). 4.30 Live Test Cricket: India v Sri Lanka.



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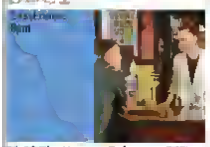


DAYTIME

11.00 The Housing Enforcers (S)(R) **11.45 The Sheriffs Are Coming** (S) 12.15 Bargain Hunt (S) **1.00 BBC News at One; Weather** (S) **1.30 BBC Regional News and Weather** (S) 1.45 Doctors (S) 2.15 Armchair Detectives (S) 3.00 Escape to the Country (S)(R) **3.45 Royal Recipes** (S) 4.30 Flog It! (S) 5.15 Pointless (S)(R) **6.00 BBC News at Six; Weather** (S) **6.30 BBC Regional News and Weather** (S)

7 7.00 **The One Show** (S)
7.30 **Fake Britain** Investigating counterfeit memory cards that put photographs at risk; (S) BBC News; Regional News

8 8.00 **EastEnders** Whitney is startled by a surprise visit. (S)
8.30 **Would I Lie to You?** New series. With David Baddiel, Ed Balls, Jo Brand and Kimberly Wyatt. (S)

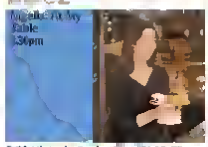
9 9.00 **Elizabeth R Philip: Love and Duty** A celebration of the Queen and Prince Philip's 70th wedding anniversary (S)

10 10.00 **BBC News at Ten** (S)
10.30 **BBC Regional News and Weather** (S)
10.45 **Stalkers** The work of a charity fighting to protect victims of stalking. (S)

11 11.45 **The Apprentice** Candidates have to create advertising campaigns for a new chain(S)(R)

AFTER 12 12.45 **Weather for the Week Ahead** (S) 12.50 BBC News (S)

BBC2



9.00 **Victoria Derbyshire** (S) 11.00 **BBC Newsroom Live** (S) 12.00 Daily Politics (S) 1.00 **The Link** (S)(R) 1.45 Terry and Mason's Great Food Trip (S)(R) 2.15 Going Back, Giving Back (S)(B) 3.00 **WPC 56** (S)(B) 3.45 **Oxford Street Revealed** (S)(R) 4.15 **Wartime Farm** (S)(B) 5.15 **Put Your Money Where Your Mouth Is** (S)(R) 6.00 **Eggheads** (S) 5.30 **Strictly Come Dancing – It Takes Two** (S)

7 7.00 **Celebrity Antiques Road Trip** With Anthea Turner and Andi Peters. (S)

8 8.00 **University Challenge** The second round continues. (S)
8.30 **Nigella: At My Table** Featuring a breakfast of fried bread and tomato hash (S)

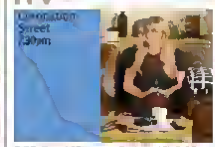
9 9.00 **Labour – The Summer That Changed Everything** A tumultuous six months in the life of the Labour party (S)

10 10.00 **Insert Name Here** New series With Nish Kumar, Kate Williams, Katherine Ryan and Gabby Logan. (S)
10.30 **Newsnight** (S)

11 11.10 **Weather** (S)
12.15 **Exodus: Our Journey Continues** Nazila and her family make a final attempt to reach Germany. Last in the series. (S)(R)

AFTER 12 12.15 **Sign Zone: Countryfile** (S)(R) 1.10 **Blue Planet II** (S)(R) 2.10 This Is BBC Two (S)

ITV



6.00 **Good Morning Britain** (S) 8.30 **Lorraine** (S) 9.25 **The Jeremy Kyle Show** (S) 10.30 **This Morning** (S) 12.30 **Loose Women** (S) 1.30 **ITV Lunchtime News; Weather** (S) 1.55 **ITV Regional News; Weather** (S) 2.00 **Dickinson's Real Deal** (S)(B) 3.00 **Tenable** (S) 3.59 **ITV Regional Weather** (S) 4.00 **Tipping Point** (S)(R) 5.00 **The Chase** (S) 6.00 **ITV Regional News** (S) 6.30 **ITV News; Weather** (S)

7 7.00 **Emmerdale** Aaron heads to the Dingles to confront Lachlan. (S)
7.30 **Coronation Street** Sinead jumps at the chance to let her hair down (S)

8 8.00 **The Harbour** The summer season ends on a high. Last in the series. (S)
8.30 **Coronation Street** (S)

9 9.00 **I'm a Celebrity Get Me Out of Here!** The contestants await the first Bushtucker Trial. (S)

10 10.30 **ITV News; Weather** (S)

11 11.00 **ITV Regional News; Weather** (S)
11.25 **Serial Killer with Piers Morgan** The broadcaster meets Florida murderer Mark Bailey. (S)(R)

AFTER 12 12.15 **Gone to Pot: American Road Trip** (S)(B) 1.05 **Jackpot247** 3.00 **The Jeremy Kyle Show** (S)(R) 3.55 **ITV Nightscreen** 5.05 **The Jeremy Kyle Show** (S)(R)

Channel 4

9.05 **Frasier** (S)(R) 10.05 **Ramsay's Hotel Hell** (S)(B) 11.00 **Undercover Boss USA** (S)(R) 12.00 **Channel 4 News** (S) 12.05 **Come Dine with Me** (S)(R) 1.05 **Kirstie's Handmade Christmas** (S)(R) 2.10 **Countdown** (S) 3.00 **A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun** (S) 4.00 **Coast vs Country** (S) 5.00 **Four in a Bed** (S) 5.30 **Come Dine with Me** (S) 6.00 **The Simpsons** (S) 6.30 **Hollyoaks** (S)

7.00 **Channel 4 News** (S)

8.00 **How to Avoid the Dementia Tax: Channel 4 Dispatches** (S)
8.30 **Tricks of the Restaurant Trade** (S)

9.00 **999: What's Your Emergency?** Call handlers dealing with people who have severe mental health issues (S)

10.00 **First Dates** A student has her first-ever date. (S)

11.05 **Naked Attraction** Dating show hosted by Anna Richardson. (S)(R)

AFTER 12 12.05 **A Very British Brothel** (S)(R) 1.05 **One Born Every Minute** (S)(R) 2.00 **TFTM: I Wish (2011)** (PG) Fremaux Drama starring Koki Maeda. 4.15 **Location, Location, Location** (S) 5.10 **Draw It!** (S)(B) 5.35 **Countdown** (S)(R)

Channel 5

11.15 **GPs Behind Closed Doors: Best of Patient Files 2** (S)(R) 12.10 **5 News Lunchtime** (S) 12.15 **The Gadget Show** (S)(B) 1.10 **Access** (S) 1.15 **Home and Away** (S) 1.45 **Neighbours** (S) 2.20 **NCIS: New Orleans** (S)(B) 3.15 **FILM: Nanny for Christmas (2010)** (PG) (S) 5.00 **5 News at 5** (S) 5.30 **Neighbours** (S)(R) 6.00 **Home and Away** (S)(R) 6.30 **5 News Tonight** (S)

7.00 **FIA World Rally Championship Highlights** The Rally Australia, Last in the series. (S) 5 News Update (S)

8.00 **Sinkholes: Buried Underground** New series. Documentary examining the underlying forces behind sinkholes. (S) 5 News Update (S)

9.00 **Chris Tarrant: Extreme Railway Journeys** Chris explores five countries that were part of Yugoslavia. (S)

10.00 **Secrets of the Tube: Going Underground** Rob Bell examines the history of the Central Line. (S)(R)

11.05 **Super Scary Plane Landings** Caribbean islands that are home to some of the world's most difficult runways. (S)(R)

AFTER 12 12.05 **Aircrash: Disaster Over New York** (S)(B) 1.00 **SuperCasino** (S) 3.10 **Law & Order: Special Victims Unit** (S)(B) 4.00 **My Mum's Hotter Than Me!** (S) 4.45 **House Doctor** (S)(B) 5.10 **Divine Designs** (S)(R) 5.35 **Wildlife SOS** (S)(R)

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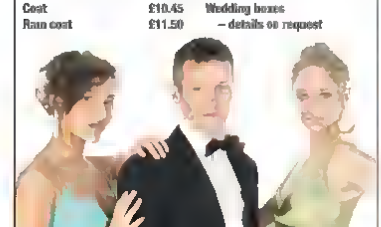

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8.00 Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records 8.30 Dinner Date 7.20 Emmerdale 7.45 Coronation Street 8.45 The Ellen DeGeneres Show 9.35 Dinner Date 10.30 I'm a Celebrity Get Me Out of Here 12.15 Emmerdale 12.45 Coronation Street 1.45 The Ellen DeGeneres Show 2.35 The Jeremy Kyle Show 5.50 I'm a Celebrity Get Me Out of Here 7.35 You've Been Framed! Gold 8.00 Two and a Half Men 8.00 Family Guy 8.30 Ghosts 10.00 American Dad! 10.30 I'm a Celebrity: Extra Camp 11.30 Family Guy 12.30 American Dad! 1.00 Celebrity Juice 1.45 Scorpion 2.30 Telescripping

ITV3 SKY 119 FV 10
8.00 Classic Coronation Street 8.00 Heartbeat 9.55 Wild at Heart 8.55 Judge Judy 10.20 A Touch of Frost 11.35 Wild at Heart 1.35 Heartbeat 2.40 Classic Coronation Street 3.45 A Touch of Frost 5.00 Heartbeat 7.00 Murder She Wrote 8.00 Doc Martin 9.00 Inspector 11.05 Blue Murder 11.35 A Touch of Frost 2.30 Telescripping

BBC4 SKY 116 FV 9
7.00 Beyond 100 Days 7.00 Weather 7.30 Great Continental Railway Journeys 8.00 Building the Ancient City 9.00 Timeshift: Sailors, Ships and Stewardess: The Story of British Docks 10.00 Storyville: My Mother's Lost Children 11.30 Last Journey of the Magna Carta King 11.30 Swim the Channel 1.30 Keys to the Castle 2.30 Building the Ancient City 3.30 Close

E4 SKY 136 FV 28
8.00 Hollyoaks 7.00 Charmed 8.00 Rules of Engagement 10.00 Blackash 11.00 How I Met You Mother 11.00 New Girl 1.00 The Big Bang Theory 2.00 The Goldbergs 3.00 How I Met You Mother 4.00 New Girl 5.00 The Goldbergs 6.00 The Big Bang Theory 7.00 Hollyoaks 7.30 First Dates Abroad 8.00 The Big Bang Theory 8.00 Made in Chelsea 10.00 Tattoo Fixers 11.00 The Big Bang Theory 11.05 Pure Tube 1.10 Gogglebox 2.10 Made in Chelsea 3.05 First Dates 4.00 Blackash 4.45 Charmed

MORE4 SKY 138 FV 14
8.55 A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun 10.00 Four in a Bed 12.45 A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun 2.40 Come Dine with Me 3.00 Time Team 5.00 The Secret Life of the Zoo 6.55 The Supervet 7.55 Grand Designs 9.00 Vet on the Hill 10.00 The Supervet 11.05 24 Hours in A&E 12.05 Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA 1.05 Vet on the Hill 2.05 The Supervet 3.10 8 Out of 10 Cats 3.50 Close

FILM4 SKY 315 FV 15
11.00 Decision at Sundown (1957) (U) 12.35 The Tall T (1957) (PG) 2.15 Flying Tigers (1942) (PG) 4.20 The Man Who Knew Too Much (1956) (PG) Alfred Hitchcock's thriller remake, with James Stewart and Doris Day. 6.45 The Land Girls (1997) (12) 9.00 Ender's Game (2013) (12) Sci-fi adventure starring Asa Butterfield. 11.15 The Darkest Hour (2011) (15) Premiere. Mystery, starring Will Sharpe. 1.00 The Five-Year Engagement (2012) (15) 3.35 Close

DAVE SKY 111 FV 12
8.00 Home Shopping 7.15 Scrapheap Challenge 8.10 American Pickers 9.00 Storage Hunters 10.00 American Pickers 12.00 Don't Say It, Bring It 1.00 Top Gear 3.00 Sin City Motors 4.00 Ice Road Truckers 8.00 Timber Kings 5.00 Top Gear 7.00 Don't Say It, Bring It 8.00 Dave Gorman: Modern Life is Goodish 9.00 Live at the Apollo 10.00 Red Dwarf 10.40 Zapped 11.20 Room 101 11.40 Mock the Week 1.20 QI 2.00 QI XL 3.00 Suits 4.00 Home Shopping

DRAMA SKY 158 FV 20
7.10 Dickens 8.00 London's Burning 8.00 Casualty 10.00 Henry Winkler: Hugh Investigates 11.00 The Bill 1.00 Last of the Summer Wine 1.40 A Fine Romance 2.20 Birds of a Feather 3.00 London's Burning 4.00 Fleabag 5.00 Hatty Wainthropp Investigates 6.00 A Fine Romance 5.40 Last of the Summer Wine 7.20 As Time Goes By 8.00 Ashes to Ashes 9.00 Death in Paradise 10.00 New Tricks 11.20 Birds of a Feather 11.00 The Bill 1.00 London's Burning 2.00 In Deep 4.00 Home Shopping

SKY1 SKY 106
6.00 Monkey Life 7.00 Animal 999 8.00 Alien Monsters with David Attenborough 8.30 Send in the Dogs: Australia 9.00 The Dog Who Saved Christmas 10.00 Monkey Life 11.00 Modern Family 12.00 NCIS: Los Angeles 1.00 Hawaii Five-0 3.00 NCIS: Los Angeles 4.00 Stargate SG-1 5.00 The Simpsons 5.30 Futurama 5.30 The Simpsons 8.00 Supergirl 9.00 A League of Their Own 10.00 Bounty Hunters 10.35 Sick Note 11.05 The Simpsons 11.05 A League of Their Own 1.00 The Prince. North East 2.00 Hawaii Five-0 3.00 Still Open: Law & Disorder 4.00 Stop, Search, Seize 5.00 The Dog Whisperer

SKY ATLANTIC SKY 108
5.00 Richard E Grant's Hotel Secrets 7.00 Urban Secrets 8.00 Fish Town 9.00 The West Wing 11.00 House 1.00 Whatever Trace 2.00 Blue Bloods 3.00 The West Wing 5.00 House 7.00 CSI: Crime Scene Investigation 8.00 Blue Bloods 9.00 Alan Partridge's Mid Morning Matters 10.00 Curb Your Enthusiasm 10.40 Campling 11.10 Real Time with Bill Maher 1.00 Vice Principals 1.35 The Jump 2.55 Californication 3.30 CSI: Crime Scene Investigation 4.20 The West Wing

W SKY 109
8.10 Wanted Down Under 8.00 Extreme Makeover: Home Edition 10.00 The Bill 11.00 Tipping Point 1.00 MasterChef USA 3.00 Extreme Makeover: Home Edition 5.00 Tipping Point 7.00 One Born Every Minute 9.00 Inside the Ambulance 9.00 The Secrets in My Family 10.00 Absolutely Fabulous 10.30 EastEnders 11.20 One Born Every Minute 12.20 Wanted Down Under 3.00 Home Shopping

GOLD SKY 110
7.10 You, Me & Them 7.45 Yes, Prime Minister 8.20 The Brittas Empire 9.00 Ever Decreasing Circles 9.40 Sorry! 10.20 Last of the Summer Wine 12.20 As Time Goes By 1.00 Keep It Up Appearances 1.40 Ever Decreasing Circles 2.20 The Brittas Empire 3.00 The Good Life 3.40 Fawlty Towers 4.20 Last of the Summer Wine 5.20 Keeping Up Appearances 7.00 Porridge 7.40 The Good Life 8.20 Not Going Out 9.00 Two Doors Down 10.20 The Rebel 11.00 Michael McIntyre's Comedy Roadshow 11.00 Absolutely Fabulous 1.20 Fly School 2.00 Michael McIntyre's Comedy Roadshow 2.55 Bob Monkhouse: On the Spot 3.30 Harry Hill's TV Burp 4.00 Home Shopping

SKY SPORTS MAIN EVENT SKY 401
5.00 Live Test Cricket. 11.15 My Icon: Moeen Ali 11.30 Sky Sports Daily 6.00 Sky Sports News at 6 7.00 Live MNF: Brighton & Hove Albion v Stoke City (kick-off 8.00pm) 11.00 Sky Sports News 1.00 My Icon: Shaun Gayle 1.15 Live NFL. 4.45 My Icon: Solomon Wilcots 5.00 Sky Sports News

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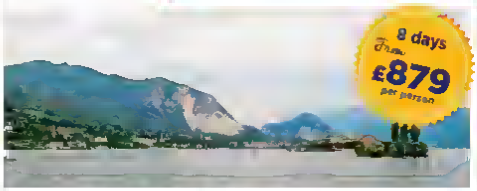

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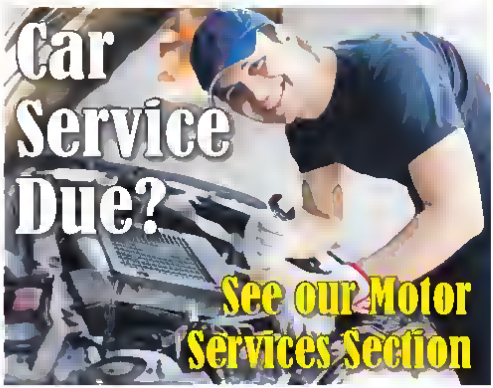

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Holly, jolly recipes for merry mornings

This holiday season, make your mornings merry and savor time with loved ones visiting from near and far with festive recipes like Christmas Tree Waffles and Overnight Cinnamon Roll Casserole. "You don't have to get up early to impress guests with a holiday breakfast," said Chef Kevan Vetter of the McCormick Kitchens. "Take waffles, simply add green food color to the batter then dust with powdered sugar 'snow' to resemble Christmas trees. Or prepare a cinnamon roll casserole the night before. Soak cut-up challah bread in milk and cinnamon overnight, bake until golden in the morning. Finish off with a drizzle of cream cheese frosting." For more Christmas tips and recipes, find McCormick on Pinterest and Facebook, and visit McCormick.com

Christmas Tree Waffles

Prep time: 5 minutes
Cook time: 20 minutes
Servings: 4

Ingredients

2 cups waffle mix
1 1/3 cups milk
1 egg
2 tablespoons vegetable oil
2 teaspoons McCormick Pure Vanilla Extract
15 drops McCormick Green Food Color
Confectioners' sugar
Mini candy-coated chocolate pieces

Method

Preheat round waffle iron. Spray with no stick cooking spray. Mix waffle mix, milk, egg, vegetable oil, vanilla and food coloring until blended.

Pour about 1/3 cup of batter onto center of hot waffle iron. Close lid. Cook about 5 minutes or until no longer steaming. Carefully remove waffle. Repeat with remaining batter.

Break each waffle into 4 triangles. Layer 3 triangles on a serving plate to resemble a Christmas tree. Sprinkle with confectioners' sugar. Use candy-coated pieces to decorate tree as ornaments.

Overnight Cinnamon Roll Casserole

Prep time: 10 minutes
Cook time: 25 minutes
Servings: 12

Ingredients

12 eggs
1 1/2 cups plus 3 tablespoons milk, divided
2 tablespoons McCormick Ground Cinnamon, divided
5 teaspoons McCormick Pure Vanilla Extract, divided
1/4 teaspoon baking powder
1 loaf challah or brioche bread, cubed
1/4 cup butter, melted
1/4 cup firmly packed brown sugar
1/2 cup whipped cream cheese
3 tablespoons confectioners' sugar

Method

Mix eggs, 1 1/2 cups of milk, 1 tablespoon of cinnamon, 3 teaspoons of vanilla and baking powder in large bowl with wire whisk until well blended. Add bread cubes; toss to coat well. Pour into 13x9-inch baking dish sprayed with no stick cooking spray. Cover. Refrigerate at least 4 hours or overnight.

Preheat oven to 350°F. Remove casserole from refrigerator. Mix melted butter, brown sugar and remaining 1 tablespoon cinnamon in small bowl until well blended. Drizzle over casserole. Let stand 10 to 15 minutes.

Bake 20 to 25 minutes or until golden brown. Let stand 5 minutes before serving.

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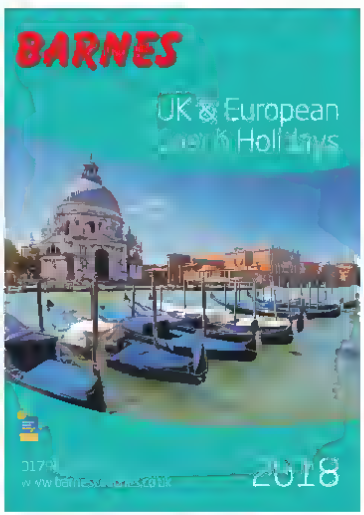

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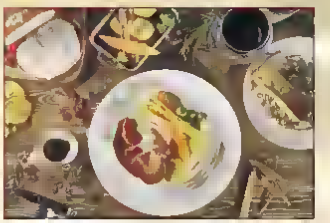

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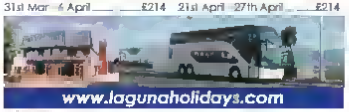

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Peugeot 5008 Allure SUV - PureTech 130 s/s

An SUV that pushes the envelope

By **Tony Yates**

THIS month s road test puts me in the driving seat of the Peugeot 5008 Allure. First off, the 5808 is a great looking SUV with some wonderful swooping lines flanking its sides.

Thus, of course takes me back to when designers actually tried to make a car look different – and judging by the look of the front of the 5008 – they seem to have managed to push the envelope that little bit more – while still designing a pretty sweet looking SUV

Of course it's all designed on super computers now but, judging by what I have seen so far I think they might have just made the 5008 pretty much perfect in that department. There is however a fly in the ointment There are so many SUV's on the market now that it s becoming almost impossible to decide on what s hot and what s not. You could, of course, ask me but I will just tell you to buy with your heart But, if you are struggling, then remember the 5008 also comes with seven independent seats which is something you can t ignore.

Power & efficiency

The 5008 I had on test was powered by a turbocharged 1199cc 3 cylinder petrol engine that has 131BHP on tap, which also happens to boast a very respectable top speed of 117mph, plus a 0 62 time of 10 4 seconds Fuel consumption is also very good with a combined figure of around 54.3 mpg.

A big plus point for this car though is its 230Nm of torque which allows it to pull very well from pretty much any gear thanks to a brilliant EAT6 (Efficient Automatic Transmission) 6-speed gearbox that does a proper job of changing up and down the gears at a decent rate with minimal fuss. Then there are the brakes, which feel good and firm and will stop you as good as the best of the best.

Choose an SUV with your heart but bear in mind this one has seven seats

On the road

First off – great chassis -along with a suspension set up that you know has taken Peugeot many hours af testing to get right. The steering is also direct and the grip levels are good, which means the 5008 feels tight and taught into the corners I'm going to say that Peugeot has done a pretty good job of getting the whole package to work together and I have no issues in saying that it performs well out on the open road for an SUV

Interior & technology

The interior is of a good standard – with lots of chrome fittings and clear displays. Along with a decent amount of standard equipment such as, ABS/ REF/AFU, driver & front passenger front and side airbags including front and rear curtain airbags MP3 connection, six speaker radio LED daytime running lights, air conditioning, steering wheel-mounted audio control and parking sensors front & rear

Additionally on the inside, you also get a good amount of media equipment to keep you happy like connected 3D navigation plus the brilliant new Peugeot i Cockpit. This is a configurable 12.3" head-up digital instrument panel, 8" capacitive touchscreen and a compact multi-function steering wheel Peugeot really has upped the specification of the 5008 and what I have shown you here today is just a small amount of what you can expect to find once you start exploring

To sum up

I'm going to give the 5008 four stars in this test, not only because I like its looks but because I believe it s a good family SUV with bags of extras and a decent engine that s tied to a pretty good chassis

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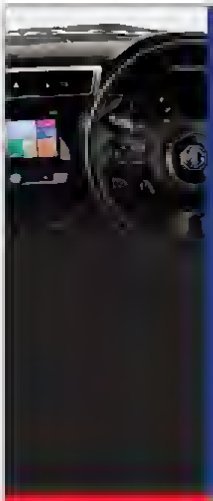

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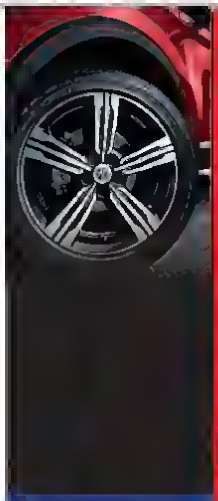

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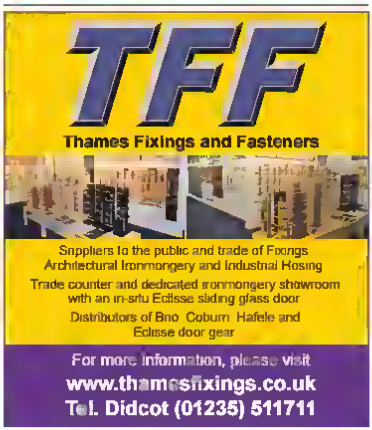
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Emotional farewell in home race

By George Welch

F1 - Williams

AN emotional Felipe Massa hailed the 'perfect race after finishing a stroog seventh in his final home race in Brazil.

The Williams driver enjoyed a race-long battle with former Ferrari team mate Fernando Alonso and held off the Spaniard to finish less than half a second ahead.

The Brazilian, who went on the podium to take in the adulation of his home fans said "It s such an amazing result and such an amazing feeling to pass through all of this in my career.

"The race today was perfect, from beginning to end. An amazing start, overtaking a few cars. then an amazing restart after the safety car passing Alonso

"I m so happy and emotional about my race today I finish with my head held high, thet's the most important thing, in this place which is amazing for me The only thing I can say is obrigado, I will miss all of you guys"

Felipe Massa on the podium after the race with his son Felipinho Picture Williams Martini Racing

A year ago Massa had received an emotional send off after announcing his initial retirement. After crashing late on in pouring rain he walked down the pitlane in tears draped in the Brazilian flag.

But this year was different as he his team and adoring fans enjoyed a race to remember

Williams chief technical officer Paddy Lowe added. "[This] was Felipe's day and the team are extremely happy that we were able to provide him with the material and support to deliver such a perfect result at his final race in Brazil."

Meanwhile, it was not Lance Stroll s finest weekend for the Grove-based team.

The teenager, slapped with a five place penalty after a gearbox change after P3 toiled behind Romain Grosjean s Haas and was eventually the last-placed car after his tyre disintegrated towards the end of the race

A disappointed Stroll said. "Everything has been bad this weekend. It was very hard for me

"I stalled at the start and just couldn t compete I had a flat spot and I knew there was going to be a problem.

"All in all, it has been a tough weekend and now I am just looking forward to Abu Dhabi [November 26]"

'Shame we couldn't do more'

F1 - Haas/Renault

NICO Hulkenberg returned to the points for the first time since Belgium, but the Renault driver may have expected more from a decent opportunity

The German started in seventh after an impressive qualifying campaign, but lost places at the start and lacked the pace to trouble those ahead of him.

The Enstone-based side closed the gap on sixth-placed Torro Rosso who endured another pointless weekend, but only by a solitary point as Carlos Sainz crossed the line in 11th.

Hulkenberg said, "It's good to get my first point since Spa, although it was pretty much an uneventful race

"We lost places at the start and with Hamilton and Ricciardo coming through it was a tough ask to move up the order

"I was pushing flat out so it s a shame we couldn't do more My focus is now on a final flourish in Abu Dhabi."

Haas are only a place and two points behind Renault heading into the final weekend in the UAE but remain off the pace and are bowing out of 2017 with a whimper

The Banbury outfit stomached their eighth pointless weekend of the season after Kevin Magnussen crashed out on the first corner and

Nico Hulkenberg picked up a point for Renault for the first time since Belgium, seven races ago Picture: Renault Sport

Romain Grosjean was punished with a 10 second penalty for causing a first lap collision.

Speaking of the frustrating weekend, team principal Guenther Steiner, who disagreed with Grosjean s penalty said: "It was a disappointing result

"At the beginning, our cars and drivers were motivated enough to do better than this, but it all went down on lap one."

Strong finish to season for Smith, now bring on 2018

MotoGP

BRADLEY Smith ended the MotoGP season on a high by finishing 11th in Valencia.

The Forest Hill rider collected five points on Sunday to end the 2017 campaign with three successive point scoring rides for the Red Bull KTM Factory Racing team.

Team-mates Pol Espargaro and Mika Kallio took tumbles but the curtain came down on a positive first campaign for the MotoGP debutants

Smith s points haul secured fifth in the constructors championship for KTM five points ahead of Aprilia

The 26 year old, whose best finish for the season was 12th place in Misano and Australia, said "Therace was good as I hit my marks all I could and hold a mid-32 lap time then it was a case of survival as the tyres went away with others losing the front

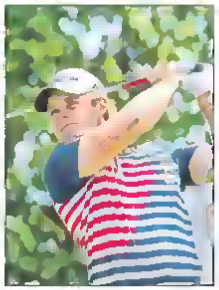
"Another very close top 10 finish keeps our top-11 every race since Brno [August 5, nine races ago] so roll on the work for the tests prior to the break—2018 is not far away!"

Smith finished 21st in the final drivers standings with 29 points, while KTM finished fifth in the constructors championship

Team manager Mike Leitner said. "We are all proud of this first KTM MotoGP season, especially the second part of the year

"I must say thanks to all the effort from so many individuals especially the riders who've pushed hard but today it was Bradley who scored the points to get us fifth in the manufacturers championship."

Marc Marquez sealed his fourth world title after finishing third in the Valencia race which was won by Dani Pedrosa.



Eddie Pepperell has turned his fortunes around this year to earn himself a place in Dubai

Eddie caps off a good year at season finale

Golf

WHAT a 12 months it has been for Eddie Pepperell, who has gone from fighting to rescue his tour card at Q-School this time last year to competing in this week's European finale.

The Abingdon golfer is the only one to make it from the bottom rung of the European Tour ladder to the top as he tees off at the DP World Tour Championship in Dubai today (Thursday)

Pepperell has been in top form recently and warmed up for the season's climax with a mid pack finish at the Nedbank Challenge in South Africa.

The Frilford Heath member picked up another big cash prize as he finished joint 34th at two-over par in Sun City

The 26-year-old, who had secured seven top-10 finishes in his previous eight events, collected just short of €50 000 in prize money

Pepperell carded two-over paz in the first two rounds to sit four-over par and tied 43rd at the midway point.

He nearly put himself in with a shout of a top-20 finish with a weekend s best of three under par on Saturday

That elevated him up the leaderboard but he was unable to build on this on Sunday and finished the tournament two-over par for a share of 34th.

Pepperell tees off in Dubai today at 5 35am (GMT) against fellow Englishman Callum Shinkwin.

A belting performance

Karate

A KARATE federation that trains dozens of students in the ancient martial art across the Vale is encouraging more to take part after several members achieved a black belt ranking.

Black and brown belts from the club attended a course given by senior instructor John Parnell, a world champion and a sixth degree black belt, on Saturday

After the course a grading was held for select members consisting of all aspects of traditional karate to put those who took part through a gruelling time.

Among those who were successful were Beau, 10, and Ahmad, 60

Chief instructor Dave Paine said. "It is great for the club that so much hard work and dedication has paid off for our students.

"I strongly believe that anybody can achieve their black belt, though to do so requires huge commitment – it is not easy"

To try karate call Dave on 07963 579736 or visit the club web site at www valekarate.uk.

Sport

Cup heroics spur City to their first league win in 12 games

By George Welch

Oxford City

BUOYED by their FA Cup giant-killing of Colchester United, Oxford City picked up their first league win since mid-August with a fantastic 2-1 victory at second-placed Chelmsford City

A goal in each half from David Pearce and Godfrey Poku helped Mark Jones's side, struggling in the National League relegation zone, to their first three-point haul in 12 games.

Pearce finished off a brilliant move from the Hoops, tucking a superb ball from Matt Paterson into the bottom corner

Poku – tasked with shielding the City defence – doubled the lead as he finished off a devastating break into the roof of the net.

Max Porter pulled a goal back for Chelmsford with 25 minutes left on the clock and City had to be at their defensive best to survive a Clarets onslaught in the dying stages

City assistant manager Joe Deeney was full of praise for his players following the much-needed win.

He said, "The lads showed fantastic courage, great resilience, which I think we've lacked in the early stages of the season, and we really had to dig deep towards the end.

"The lads are elated, it was a real team effort and it took togetherness and determination to come here and get a much needed three points at a team you'd expect to be up there toward the end of the season.

"I couldn't have asked anything more from the players."

Jones' right hand man added, "The pleasing thing for me is that we haven't been complacent. We've done great, the players worked tirelessly for each other and they're over the moon."

Oxford's FA Cup second round tie at Notts County on December 2 will be shown live on BT Sport

Kick-off has been moved to 12.30pm and the club will receive £72,000 as a result of the television deal

In the FA Trophy City have been drawn a third qualifying round tie against Hereford at Marsh Lane, scheduled for November 25.

Traffic trouble leaves Banbury in limbo in Trophy

Banbury United

TROUBLE on the M1 led to Banbury United's FA Trophy replay at home to Farnborough being postponed after visiting players got stuck in traffic.

A number of vehicles were delayed and still missing at Tuesday's scheduled 7.45pm kick-off time.

The second qualifying round replay was called off at 8.40pm when there was still no sign of the missing travelling players

The Puritans said they are awaiting a decision over when or even if the match would be replayed from the FA.

Farnborough, who said a road closure "left the matter out of our hands" apologised and have offered refunds to the travelling supporters.

United were set to welcome the Hampshire side to the Banbury Community Plant Stadium after a pulsating 3-3 draw on Saturday

Farnborough drew first blood via a Perry Coles strike midway through the first half, and that's the way it stayed until the second half.

Luke Carnell and Conor McDonagh headers flipped the game around to make it 2-1 to the visitors on 60 minutes

But seconds later it was 2-2 when Nic Ciardini's low shot from a narrow angle found its way past Jack Harding in the Banbury goal.

Mike Ford's side regained the lead in an entertaining second half, with McDonagh again heading home on 68 minutes

Boro pushed forward in search of an equaliser which came in the 78th minute through Coles' second of the afternoon

The winners will host Hartley Wintney on November 25.

Defeat sends Brookes out of National Trophy

Basketball

OXFORD Brookes University crashed out of the National Trophy after a narrow 95-87 third round defeat at home to East London All Stars

A fast start saw the Headington side take an early lead, which was maintained over the first quarter

By the second half the visitors from the capital had hit back to take a healthy 10-point lead thanks to some sharp shooting.

Brookes re-grouped well after the break and mounted a comeback, leaving All Stars with a single point 68-67 difference.

Both teams traded baskets in the final quarter until a controversial call from the referee threw Oxford's top scorer Monticelli from the arena.

At that point the London side had a 76-73 lead with just less than seven minutes to be played.

This was enough time for the All Stars who, with the extra man, went 90-78 up two minutes later before securing their passage into the next round with a 95-87 win.

Elsewhere a newly-launched under 14 girls basketball league tipped off at Didcot Girls School on Saturday. The One Team Oxford side – consisting of players from the now-merged South Oxfordshire Heat and Oxford Hoops basketball clubs – performed well in their first competitive outing. They are third in a four-team table after beating Bucks Hornets 19-16 but losing to Reading Rockets and Winchester Royals

Oxford University Bmokes attack the East London All Stars

Stars rise from behind to steal points against Phoenix

Ice hockey

A DRAMATIC Kamil Kinkor overtime winner against Guildford Phoenix extended Oxford City Stars' winning run to an impressive seven games

The Stars were in unfamiliar territory on Sunday when they were 2-0 down and chasing the game with 12 minutes remaining due to first and middle period Guildford strikes

Jake Florey pulled a goal back on 48 minutes before a Mike Whillock goal with 11 seconds remaining sent the home fans wild.

That forced overtime in which the first to score is the winner and Oxford, who had spent most of the game behind, completed their comeback within 30 seconds

Kinkor struck the all-important blow to send Oxpens Road crazy with the memorable 3-2 win.

The Stars had an easier ride the previous day when hat-trick hero Josh Oliver was the star of an 11-2 win at Haringey Huskies

Josh Florey and Dax Hedges netted braces while Conor Redmond, Kinkor, Alex Staples and Will Harrison added the extras

Oxford, who scored six of the 11 goals in the final period, travel to Slough Jets (amth) on Saturday

They remain top of the NIHL2 South (Wilkinson) division, having only suffered one defeat this season

Dax Hedges and Kamil Kinkor celebrate Kinkor's overtime winner

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Buildbase FA Trophy second qualifying round
Saturday 11 November
Farnborough 3-3 **Banbury United**
Thame United 1-0 Worthing

Buildbase FA Trophy second qualifying round replay
Tuesday 14 November
Banbury United p-p Farnborough

Buildbase FA Vase second round
Saturday 11 November
Wantage Town 1-4 Malksham Town

Two in each half send Freds out

FA Vase

WANTAGE Town bowed out of the Buildbase FA Vase after losing 4-1 at home to Western League side Melksham Town.

The Freds conceded two goals in each half and were 2-0 down within seven minutes at Alfredian Park.

Warren Maidment (2 minutes) and Jake Brown (7) grabbed the early goals for the away side before Steve Robertson pulled one back for Wantage late in the first half

But Ben Sadler's side never really looked like getting anything out of the second round tie against a well-drilled opposition.

Brown bagged two more goals in the second half on 68 and 83 minutes to knock the Freds out of the competition.

Abingdon United beat October's form team Brimscombe & Thrupp 3-2 at home in the Bluefin Sport Challenge Cup on Saturday before losing to the same opposition 2-1 in the Floodlit Cup three days later

A Sam Wharton strike 10 minutes from time got the winner following first half goals from Tom Butler (37) and Graham Edney (41p) on Saturday

John Dennis gave United an early lead on Tuesday – again at the Northcourt – but, reduced to 10 men on 14 minutes, the home side conceded first half and second half goals to lose 2-1.

There were no Hellenic matches involving Oxfordshire sides last weekend but on Saturday there are away trips for Abingdon and Oxford City Nomads at Flackwell Heath and Highworth Town respectively. Wantage host Royal Wootton Bassett.

Wild times for Thame as they create history

By George Welch

Thame United

A SPECTACULAR Dan West free kick sent Thame United through to the third qualifying round of the FA Trophy for the first time in their history

West s wonderfully whipped free kick on the hour curled around the wall and into the back of the net for a 1 0 home win over Worthing on Saturday

The historical win has set up a tie at Haringey Borough, take played on November 25

Worthing, from the level above Thame in the football pyramid, went into the game on the back of a four game winning streak but were unable to trouble a resolute United side for much of the match.

United were worthy winners and could have been ahead within a minute when Lynton Goss s mazy run culminated in Thame's top scorer striking a post.

Tom Ashworth saw an effort go over the bar shortly afterwards before Craig Hill in the Thame goal was called into action, tipping an effort from close range over the bar

Thame were frustrated by the woodwork again when James McGowan nearly converted from a flurry of corners midway through the first half.

The second half started in similar vein and, after Goss had seen an effort well saved on 55 minutes United eventually took the lead on 58 minutes

West won the free kick 25 yards from goal and, stepping forward, curled the ball around the wall and into the bottom corner of the net

It was no less than United deserved and the lead was almost doubled three minutes later when a dangerous West header was clawed away by the Worthing keeper

Ellis Hercules and Adam Morris both went close to doubling the lead before Jared Rance hit the bar for the visitors in the dying minutes

Thame returned to league action with a 1 1 draw at Barton Rovers on Tuesday

West was at it again, putting United ahead on 23 minutes

The forward also hit the bar twice in the first half but the visitors had to settle for a point when Barton snatched a 93rd minute equaliser.

Tha loss of captain Curtis Nelson is a big blow for United Picture Steve Daniels

Achilles rules Nelson out

OXFORD United captain Curtis Nelson is set to miss the rest of the season with an Achilles injury

The defender was stretchered off just before half time after challenging for a header in the 2 1 defeat against Northampton Town on Saturday

An initial scan shows the 24-year old has ruptured his Achilles tendon. He is set to have a second scan before surgery later this week.

Manager Pep Clotet said. "It is a blow for us but also obviously a huge blow for Curtis who was playing so well and has been a fantastic captain for us this year

"It was clear straight away that he was struggling and the scan shows a full rupture, which at least means it is very clear what we are dealing with and the timescales involved.

"We have a fantastic medical team here and Curtis is a great professional so I am sure he will do all that is required and come back stronger than ever"

Nelson, who has made 62 appearances for the U's since joining from Plymouth Argyle in the summer of 2015, has been ever present for United this season, making 19 appearances in all competitions and scoring one goal.

He was made club captain over the summer following Clotet s arrival and former captain John Lundstram's transfer to Championship side Sheffield United.

Railwaymen come from behind to draw

Evo-Stik round-up

DIDCOT Town twice fought back from a two-goal deficit to draw 2-2 at Bristol Manor Farm on Saturday

With conditions not suited to playing football on Manor Farm s sloping pitch, the hosts went ahead in the sixth minute as Kye Holly tapped home from close range.

The visitors came into the game and began to dominate, but Seth Humphries and Sam Elkins could only find the woodwork.

Dean Stamp scored for the home side against the run of play to land a sucker punch just before half time and double Manor's lead.

The Railwaymen refused to be derailed however and were rewarded for more second half pressure when Felipe Barcelos scored from the penalty spot

Manor Farm restored their two-goal cushion through Stamp s second of the afternoon only for Town to hit back again.

Barcelos scored from another penalty to make it a one-goal game for the final seven minutes

Felipe Barcelos, pictured against Bishops Cleeve, scored twice from the penalty spot against Bristol Manor Farm. Picture: Roger Neal

And Didcot rescued their deserved point when Sam Elkins headed home from a corner in the 88th minute.

Despite the late pressure, the Railwaymen were unable to find a winner and had to be content with a point even though some would feel they deserved all three points

North Leigh have only played once this month as Saturday s match at Barnstaple Town was postponed due to a waterlogged pitch and their trip to Cirencester on Tuesday was called off because of floodlight failure.

The Millers are set to host Bishops Cleeve on Saturday

U's draw Gills in Checkatrade

OXFORD United will travel to Gillingham in the first knockout round of the Checkatrade Trophy

The U's, finalists in the last two years, will travel to Priestfield in the first week of December

United made it through to the second round after a win draw (defeat on penalties) and defeat in Southern Group G The group featured winners MK Dons Stevenage and Brighton and Hove Albion's academy side

Full ticket and match details for the knockout game are yet to be finalised.

Early goal proves decisive

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AN early goal was enough to inflict a first defeat of the season on Oxford United Women, who lost 1-0 at Millwall Lionesses on Sunday

Ella Rutherford scored the only goal of the game after eight minutes, firing in a long-range strike that snuck beyond U's keeper Demi Lambourne

United responded well with Kayleigh Hines, Ellis Hillman and Hannah Short all trying their luck.

The hosts should have doubled their lead in the second half when Charlie Devlin sent Rianna Dean clear, only for Lambourne to keep her out.

Chloe Chivers missed the target for Oxford after being teed up by Hines lofted through-ball, as the away side cranked up the pressure in the second period.

Dean should have wrapped the game up for the Lionesses with just a few minutes left but was denied by a fine save before Ellie Mason struck the bar

Hillman said the defeat was a "frustrating loss after a quality second half performance from us".

Midfielder Emily Allen added that the defeat was a "tough one to take especially when you deserve more from the game"

United slipped to fifth while Millwall regained their perch at the top of the WSL2 table.

Next up for the U's is a trip to Everton Ladies this evening (Thursday)

New floodlights at tennis courts

AN event to mark the re-opening of Florence Park's tennis facilities following a £250 000 investment will take place today (Thursday)

Financed by the LTA and Oxford City Council, the courts will be the first floodlit public courts in Oxford.

LTA president Martin Corrie and the city council s Cllr Linda Smith will officially switch the lights on at 4.15pm

The new facilities are set to add another 5 000 playing hours a year for local residents allowing them to play long into the evening for the first time

It is hoped the addition of floodlights will encourage more people to take up the game.

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The Hennessy Gold Cup meeting has long been regarded as one of the highlights of the racing and social calendar at Newbury Racecourse. This year the race is back, bigger than ever, but with a new sponsor: Ladbrokes and a new title the Ladbrokes Trophy. The change in sponsor will only enhance the meeting with the Ladbrokes Trophy receiving a £50,000 boost in prize money, making it jump racing's second most valuable handicap after the Grand National, as well as other non-racing entertainment.

In recent years the Hennessy Gold Cup has produced winners such as Grand National winner, Many Clouds. Cheltenham Gold Cup contenders Native River and Smad Place, and racing legend, Denman. The meeting has also provided wins for horses such as Coneygree and Thistlecrack. With increased prize money the Ladbrokes Winter Carnival is likely to deliver even better racing, adding even more quality to what is already regarded as one of the best loved meetings of the racing year.

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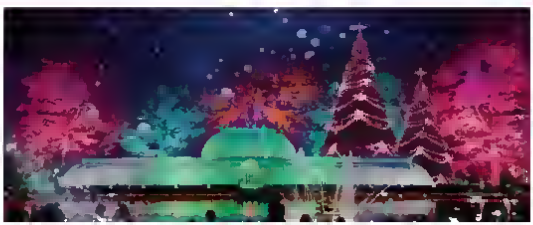

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Wes Thomas breaks through to pull United level
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Pep calls for a return to early season good start

By George Welch

A DISAPPOINTED Pep Clotet has called on his players to reignite their early-season performances to end his side s losing habit

Oxford United lost 2 1 at home to in-form Northampton Town on Saturday as the U's slipped to their fourth successive defeat in all competitions

First half goals from Ash Taylor and Chris Long were enough for the Cobblers to continue their recent revival under Jimmy Floyd Hasselbaink and notch up their third successive win over the U's

United cancelled out Taylor s 12th minute opener a minute before half time thanks to Wes Thomas' sixth goal of the campaign.

The striker ran on to James Henry's pass and drove an effort low into the bottom corner from 18 yards.

But Northampton were back in front within 60 seconds as Long capitalised on Ryan Ledson's error to race through and fire high into the net.

That s the way it stayed, although Billy Waters should have extended the visitors lead when he mussed a second half open goal.

Afterwards Clotet said. "I'm disappointed [but] the players showed their fighting spirit until the end They deserved a little bit more, especially as we helped with that second goal.

"The result doesn't match what happened but at the end there's no excuses. It is what it is and we have to turn that into domination and get the next three points.

We had a good start to the league and we don t want this to become a blip

"It s important we get back to our own solid performances We just need to fine-tune all the little details "

The Spaniard ruled out any suggestions of a confidence crisis within the camp adding "We were good against Brighton [the previous Tuesday] and today [against Northampton] The team is good at going forward and playing offensive football."

Tenth placed Oxford, winless since beating Bristol Rovers last month, travel to second-bottom Plymouth Argyle on Saturday and host play-off chasing Blackburn Rovers (seventh) on Tuesday

'We want to be up there at end of season'

FRUSTRATED Wes Thomas believes Oxford United will get back to winning ways once they cut out their silly mistakes

The striker scored his first goal in five matches to level the scores just before half time against Northampton Town only for Ryan Ledson to immediately gift the visitors what proved to be the winner

United s top scored said. "I'm happy that I ve got another goal but the most important thing [win] we didn t do so there s frustration there

"We seem to be getting punished for every mistake that we make and that s the frustrating thing

"We know we ve got the ability to win these games and I believe we should have won it.

"We were the better side but we re being punished for silly little mistakes – we want to be up there at the end of the season so we need to turn it around very quickly "

The 30-year-old threw his support behind Ledson whose bad error helped the U s on the way to a fourth successive defeat.

The midfielder was caught in possession on the halfway line by Chris Long, who collected the ball and slotted past Simon Eastwood

Thomas said "That s [the mistake] not something that Lego [Ryan Ledson] does – he's been an important player for us

"He's made a mistake but he ll go again and we ll get over it."

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